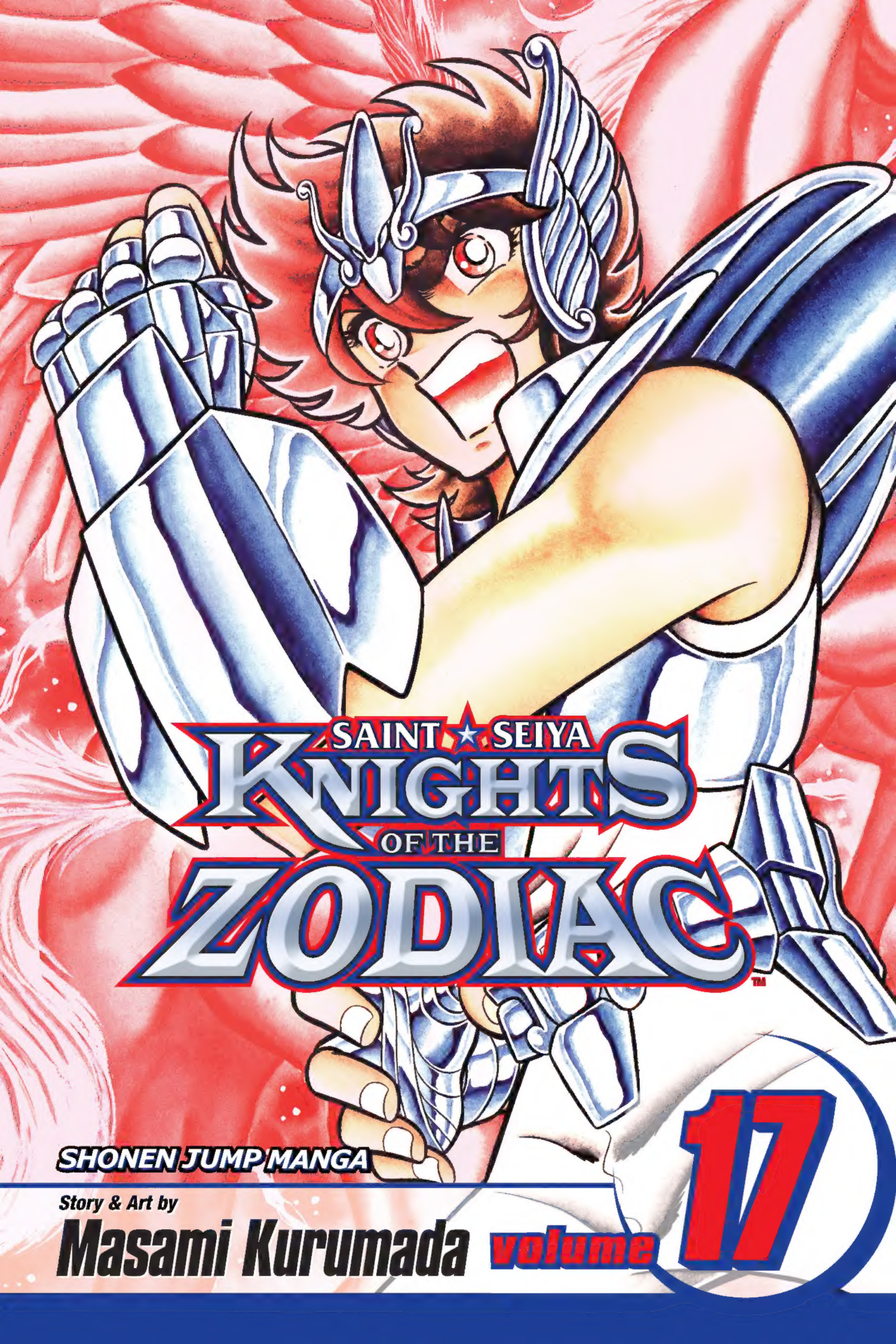
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A pair of birds has built a nest in the ventilation shaft of the building where I have my office. Recently, the eggs hatched, and it's gotten quite noisy with all the peeping. However, after watching the parents fly back and forth to feed their offspring even on rainy and windy days, my heart started warming towards them.

I wonder when those baby birds will take their first flight into the wide-open sky...

Just one thing: please stop dropping poo on my car!

Masami Kurumada-1988

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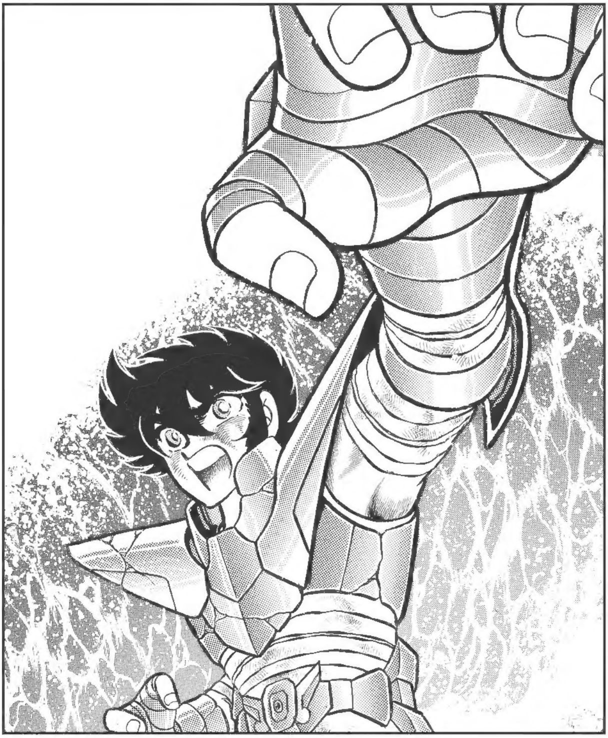

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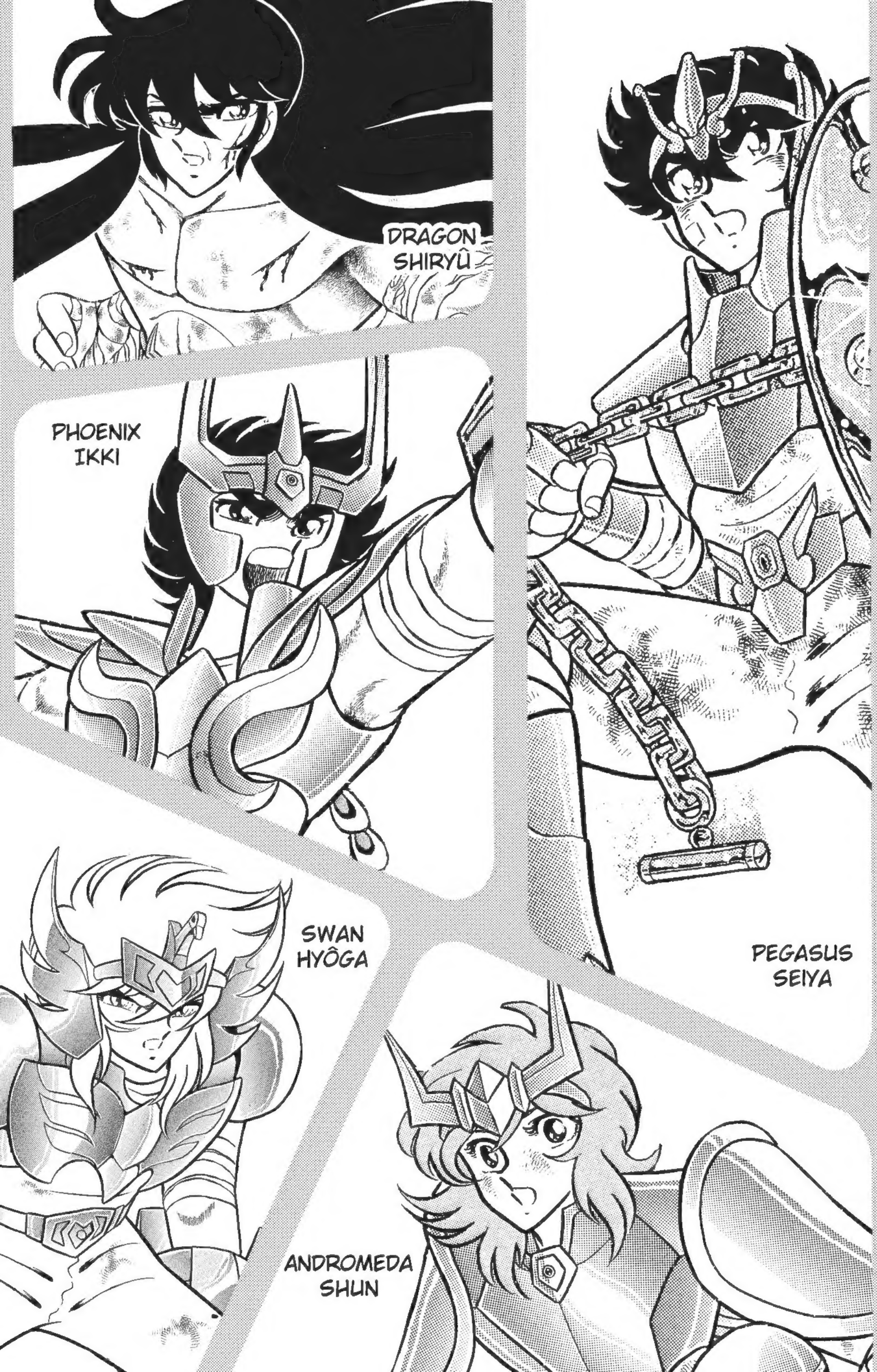
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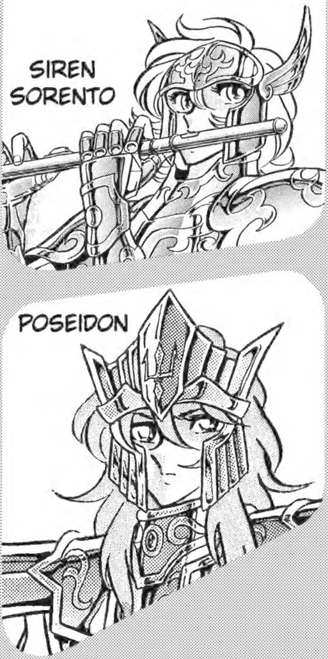

THE STORY THUS FAR

LEGENDS SPEAK OF YOUNG MEN WHO PROTECTED THE GREEK GODDESS ATHENA. KNOWN AS ATHENA'S KNIGHTS, THEY WERE SAID TO WIELD PUNCHES THAT CRACKED THE SKY AND KICKS THAT SPLIT THE EARTH. TO RAISE WARRIORS WITH THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT FOR PRINCESS SIENNA, THE INCARNATION OF ATHENA, LORD NOBU OF THE GRANDE FOUNDATION SENT HIS OWN 100 CHILDREN OUT INTO THE WORLD TO TRAIN AS KNIGHTS.

NOW JULIAN SOLO, THE INCARNATION OF THE GOD POSEIDON, IS DESTROYING THE EARTH WITH A MIGHTY FLOOD. PRINCESS SIENNA HAS OFFERED HERSELF AS A SACRIFICE TO HALT THE DESTRUCTION. TO SAVE SIENNA AND THE EARTH, THE BRONZE KNIGHTS--SEIYA, SHIRYÛ, SHUN AND HYÔGA--MUST DESTROY THE SEVEN PILLARS THAT SUPPORT THE GREAT OCEANS OF THE WORLD, AS WELL AS THE MARINERS WHO GUARD THEM. THE KNIGHTS HAVE TOPPLED THE PILLARS ONE BY ONE, USING THE WEAPONS OF THE LIBRA GOLD CLOTH. BUT THEIR BATTLE AGAINST POSEIDON HAS ONLY BEGUN...

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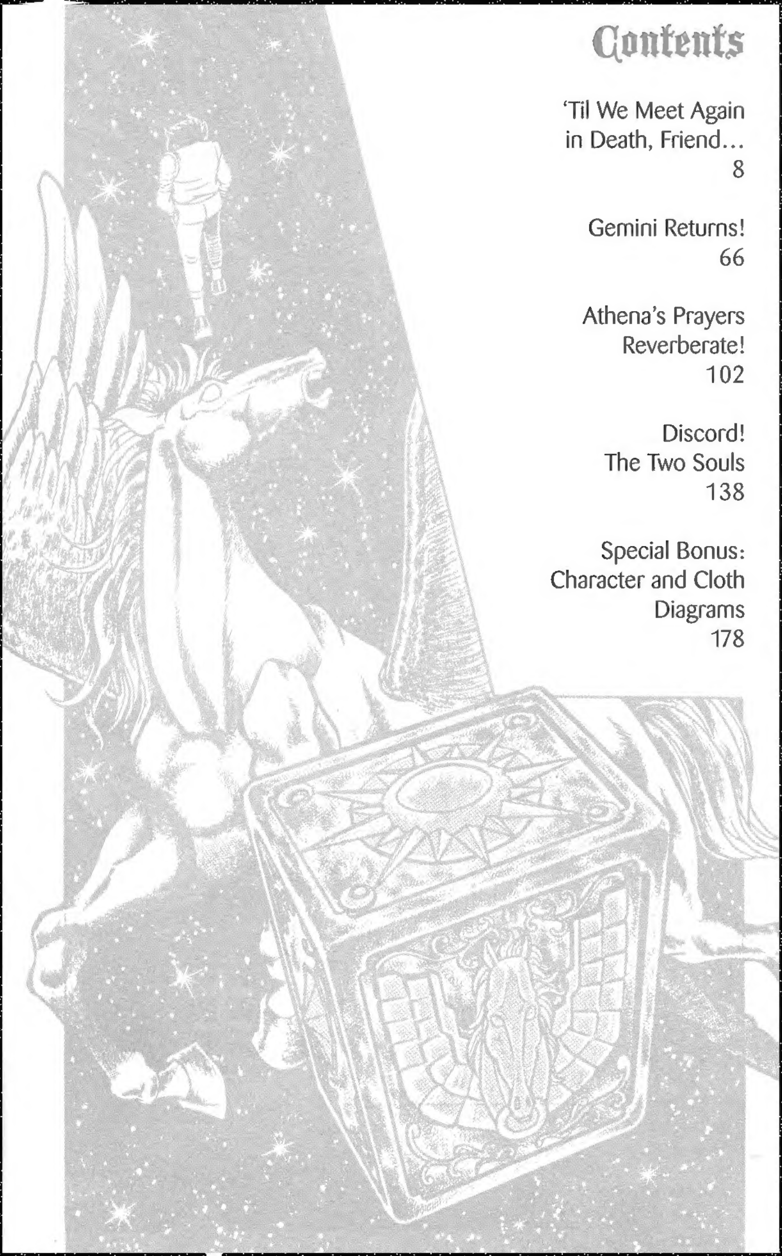

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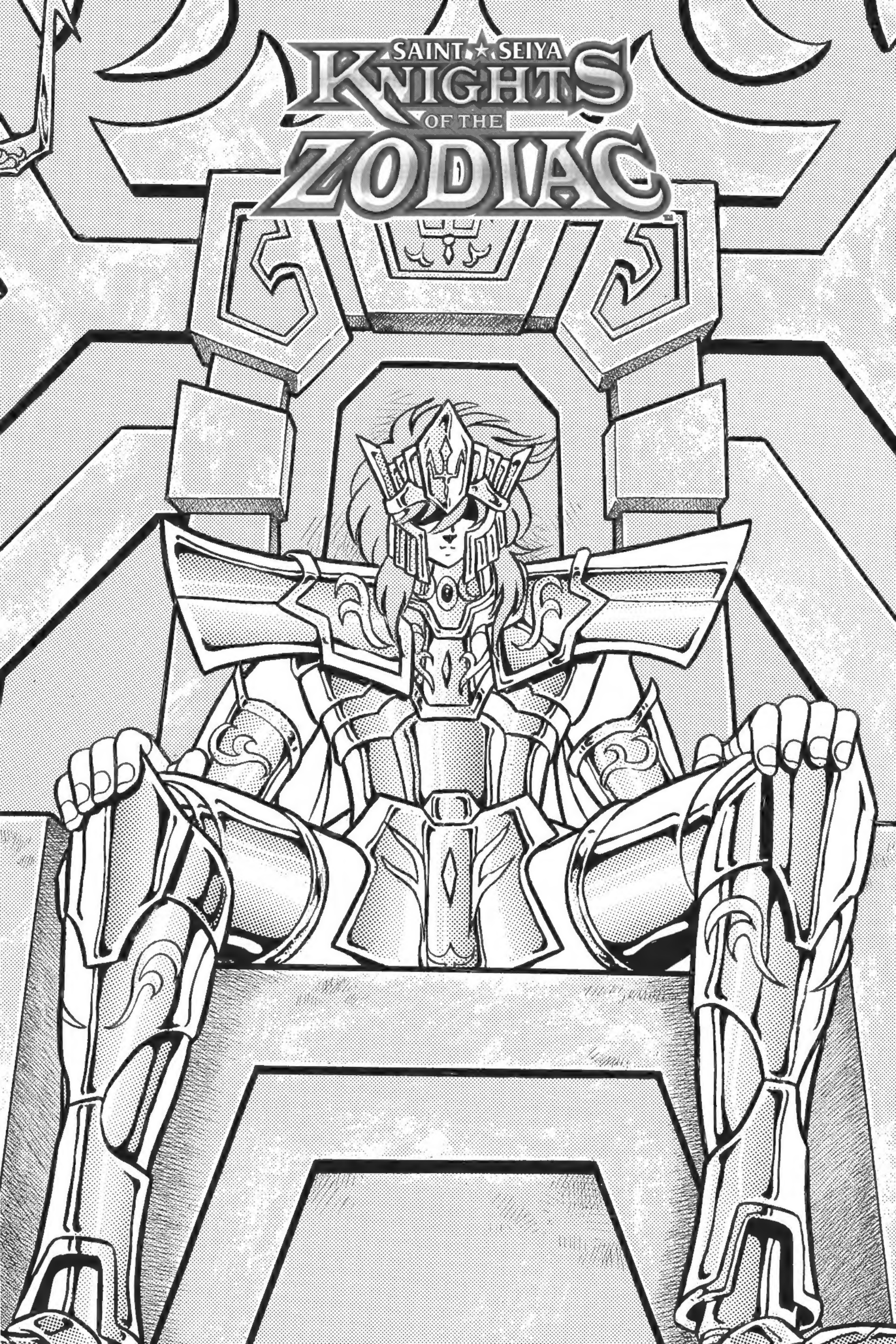
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'TIL WE MEET AGAIN IN DEATH, FRIEND...

WHAT'S THAT? MY COSMO IS *TAINTED?*
THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU CAN'T KILL OR DEFEAT A KNIGHT OF ATHENA...
...WITH YOUR TARNISHED COSMO.
LISTEN, I'M WILLING TO DIE TO EVEN OUR SCORE...
UGH!
...SO PLEASE, ISAAC, OPEN YOUR EYES!
SHUT UP!
A WEAKLING LIKE YOU, WHINING OVER YOUR DEAD MOTHER, HAS NO RIGHT TO LECTURE ME!
ISAAC!
DIE, HYÔGA!

DA DOOM
BAM
YOU THINK I CAN'T KILL YOU? LET'S PUT YOUR THEORY TO THE TEST!
UNH!
SUCH...
...POW-ERFUL FROZEN AIR!
AND THAT AURA LOOMING BEHIND ISAAC...

IT'S THE LEGENDARY KRAKEN!
DOOOM
BEHOLD MY GREATEST MOVE!!
FAREWELL, HYÔGA!!
NO!

AURORA BOREA-LIS !!

THWAK
UNH... I...I... ISAAC...
FWUMP
HYÔGA...
TRUE TO YOUR WORD, YOU WENT TO YOUR DEATH WITHOUT RESIS-TANCE.
YOU'VE REPAID YOUR DEBT TO ME.
BUT WAS THAT TRULY WHAT YOU WANTED?
HYÔ...

HYÔGA!
ZAK
OH, NO! HYÔGA!
ARE YOU THE KID WHO'S BEEN RUNNING AROUND WITH THE LIBRA CLOTH?
GOOD TIMING. I'LL PULVERIZE IT SO IT CAN'T DESTROY ANY MORE PILLARS. HAND OVER THE BOX.
UM...

OH, YEAH? BIG TALK FROM A GUY WHO JUST STRUCK DOWN A WOUNDED MAN!
N-NO WAY! I WON'T GIVE IT TO THE LIKES OF YOU!
IF YOU DISOBEY ME, YOU'LL GET HURT.
I CAN CALMLY KILL WOMEN AND CHILDREN.
AGAINST AN ENEMY, I HAVE NOT AN OUNCE OF REMORSE.
YOUR PALTRY MAGIC TRICKS ARE NOTHING!

WOOOOM
HEY!
THE ROCKS I LIFTED ARE FALLING ON ME!
HEH.
THAT WAS NO TROUBLE AT ALL.
HM?
AIEE!

STILL ALIVE, KID?
RE-LEASE YOUR GRIP.
N...NO WAY...NOT EVEN IF YOU KILL ME...
UGH...
ARGH!
ARGH!
I...I'VE GOT TO PROTECT IT...
hff
hff
N...NO MATTER WHAT, I GOTTA... UGH...

I COULD JUST SMASH *YOU* ALONG WITH THE BOX, YOU KNOW.
GIVE UP, AL- READY!
GAH!
E... EVERY- ONE'S...
I...I CAN'T GIVE UP.
EVERYONE'S FIGHTING SO DESPERATELY... LORD MÛ WOULDN'T WANT ME TO BEG FOR MY LIFE.
ONE DAY... I'M GONNA BE A KNIGHT OF ATHENA, TOO...
"GOOD JOB HOLDING ON TO THAT BOX," THEY'LL SAY.
VERY WELL. YOU CAN SEEK YOUR PRAISE IN THE AFTERLIFE.
UGH...
NOW BE DE- STROYED, BOX AND ALL!

ISAAC!
HUH?
YOU'RE STILL ALIVE...
HYÔGA!
ZAK
ZAK
ZAK

READ THIS WAY
ZAK
KIKI...
HUP
UNH... HYÔGA ...
I DIDN'T LET GO... OF THE LIBRA BOX...
I...I NEVER LET GO...
I KNOW.
WE STILL NEED YOU TO CARRY THE CLOTH TO THE NEXT PILLAR.
SO JUST REST, OKAY?
I'LL TAKE CARE OF ISAAC.

YOU ONCE SAID THAT VISITING MY MOTHER WAS SELF-CENTERED.
WRONG FOR A KNIGHT.
WERE MY EARS PLAYING TRICKS ON ME...
...OR DID YOU SAY YOU'D TAKE ME DOWN?
AS A KNIGHT, I MUST TAKE YOU DOWN.
WELL, LETTING YOU SAVE MY LIFE WAS SELF-CENTERED, TOO.
NO MATTER HOW GREAT THE DEBT I OWE YOU, I CAN'T LET THE EARTH BE DESTROYED BECAUSE OF MY SELFISHNESS.
YOU THINK YOU CAN?

I CAN. AND, AS MASTER CAMUS TAUGHT US, I'LL STAY COOL AS I STRIKE!

SUCH TREMEN-DOUS FROZEN AIR...
I CAN'T BELIEVE HE HAS SUCH POWER. IS THIS HYÔGA'S TRUE STRENGTH?
FINE! IT'LL MAKE MY JOB ALL THE EASIER!
I, TOO, SHALL STRIKE AT FULL STRENGTH!

COME, HYÔGA!

VOOSH
CHASH
TAKE THIS, KRAKEN!
MY FIST OF JUSTICE!
UNH!

SHING

DIAMOND DUST!!
AUGH!
THUD
UGH!

UNH... SUCH POWER...
HOW CAN SUCH FORCE... COME FROM A MAN HALF DEAD?
NO!
TH... THAT'S ...
...MASTER CAMUS!!

DOOOOOOM
NO...DID I REALLY JUST SEE MASTER CAMUS HOVERING BEHIND HYÔGA?
D...DON'T TELL ME THE DEAD CAMUS IS WATCHING OVER HIM...
EVEN THOUGH HE'S DEAD, HIS SOUL LIVES ON INSIDE ME.
THINK OF THIS AS OUR MASTER'S DISCIPLINE!
THAT'S RIGHT, ISAAC. AFTER OUR DEATH MATCH IN THE 12 PALACES, CAMUS BEQUEATHED EVERYTHING TO ME.
UNH!

ARGH!
ZAK
UGH!
WHAT?
WH...WHAT A JOKE...CAMUS'S DISCIPLINE?
DOOM

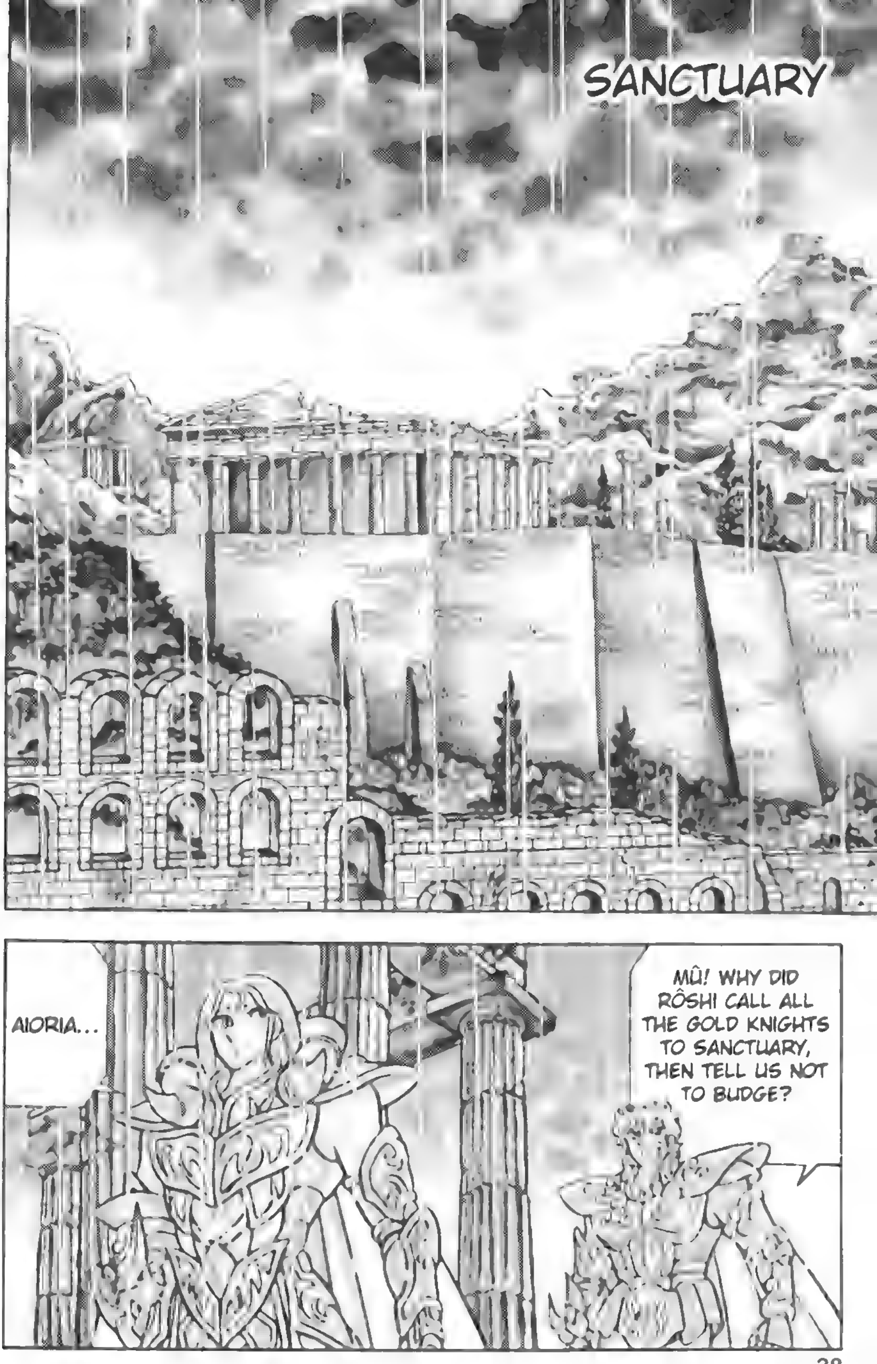
CAMUS MAY HAVE PREACHED STAYING COOL AGAINST AN ENEMY, BUT, IN THE END, HE HIMSELF COULDN'T KEEP HIS COMPOSURE.
THAT'S WHY HE FELL TO YOU. SUCH A HYPOCRITE IS NO MASTER OF MINE.
ISAAC, YOU...
YOU'RE THE SAME AS EVER.
FOR ALL YOUR TALK, YOU STILL HAVEN'T STRUCK ME A MORTAL BLOW!
THAT SOFTNESS WILL BE YOUR DEATH!
GO DOWN FOR GOOD THIS TIME, HYÔGA!

AURORA BOREALIS !!
BAM

HAAAAP
WHAT? HE STOPPED MY FROZEN AIR WITH HIS BARE PALMS!
AND HIS CLOTH...IT'S GLEAMING LIKE GOLD!
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU. I'M UNDER CAMUS'S PROTECTION.
THIS SWAN CLOTH WAS REVIVED WITH THE BLOOD OF GOLD KNIGHTS!
WHAT? GOLDEN BLOOD?
NO WONDER IT DOESN'T HAVE A CRACK IN IT, EVEN AFTER ALL MY ATTACKS...

SPURT...
WHAT?
BLOOD IS GUSHING FROM HYÔGA'S NECK!
PLIP
UNH...
PLIP
PLIP
UNNH...EVEN IF MY CLOTH IS CLOSE TO GOLD, MY FLESH IS STILL MORTAL...
LOOKS LIKE THE WOUNDS I GOT FROM LYMNADES HAVE REOPENED...
PLIP

READ THIS WAY


SANCTUARY
MÛ! WHY DID RÔSHI CALL ALL THE GOLD KNIGHTS TO SANCTUARY, THEN TELL US NOT TO BUDGE?
AIORIA...

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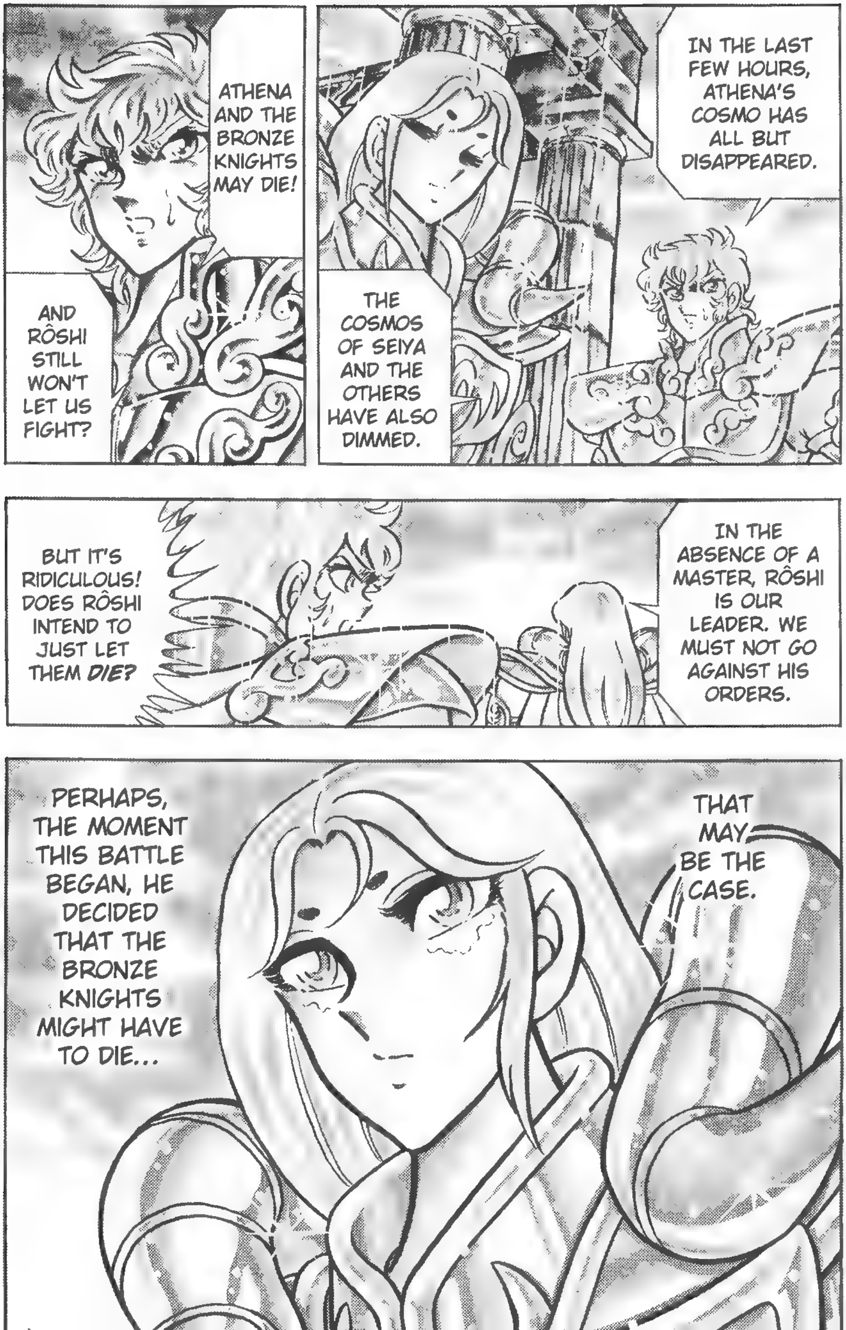
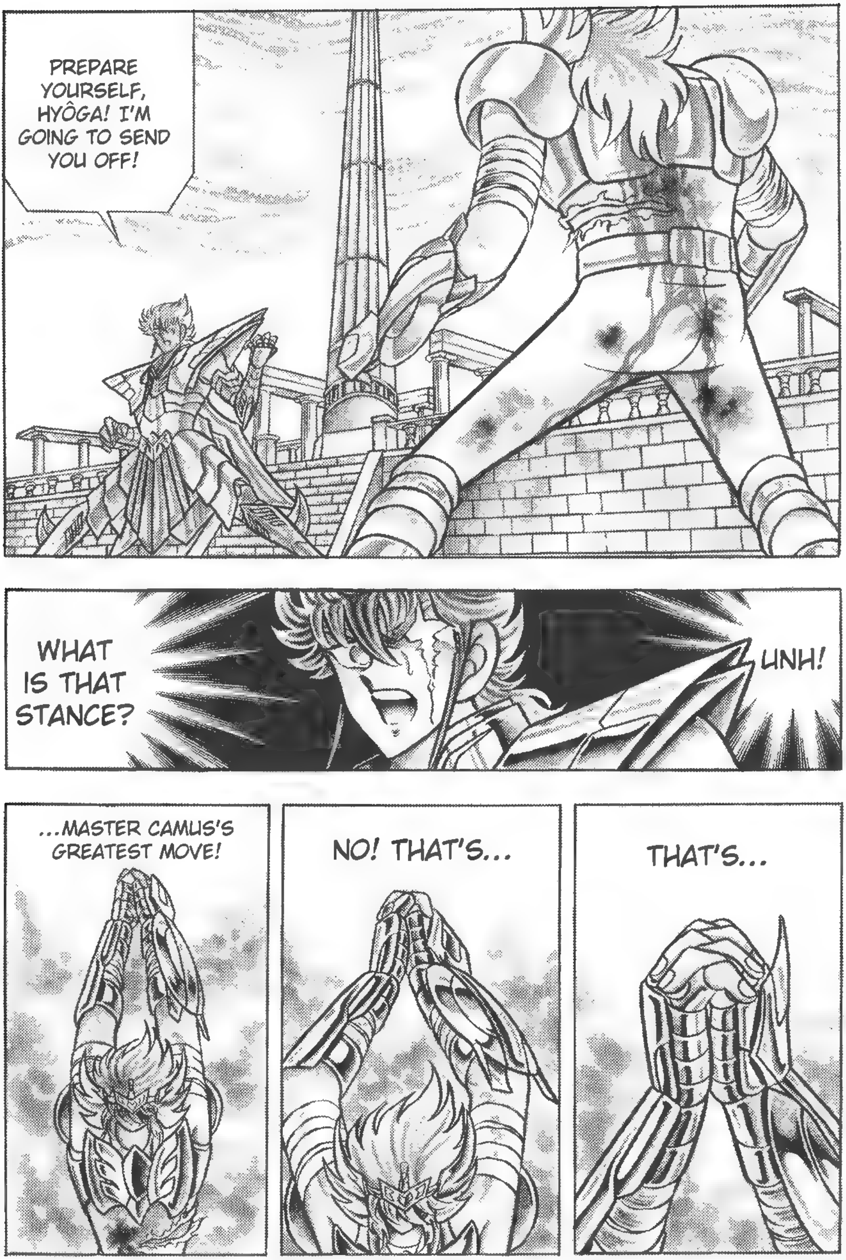


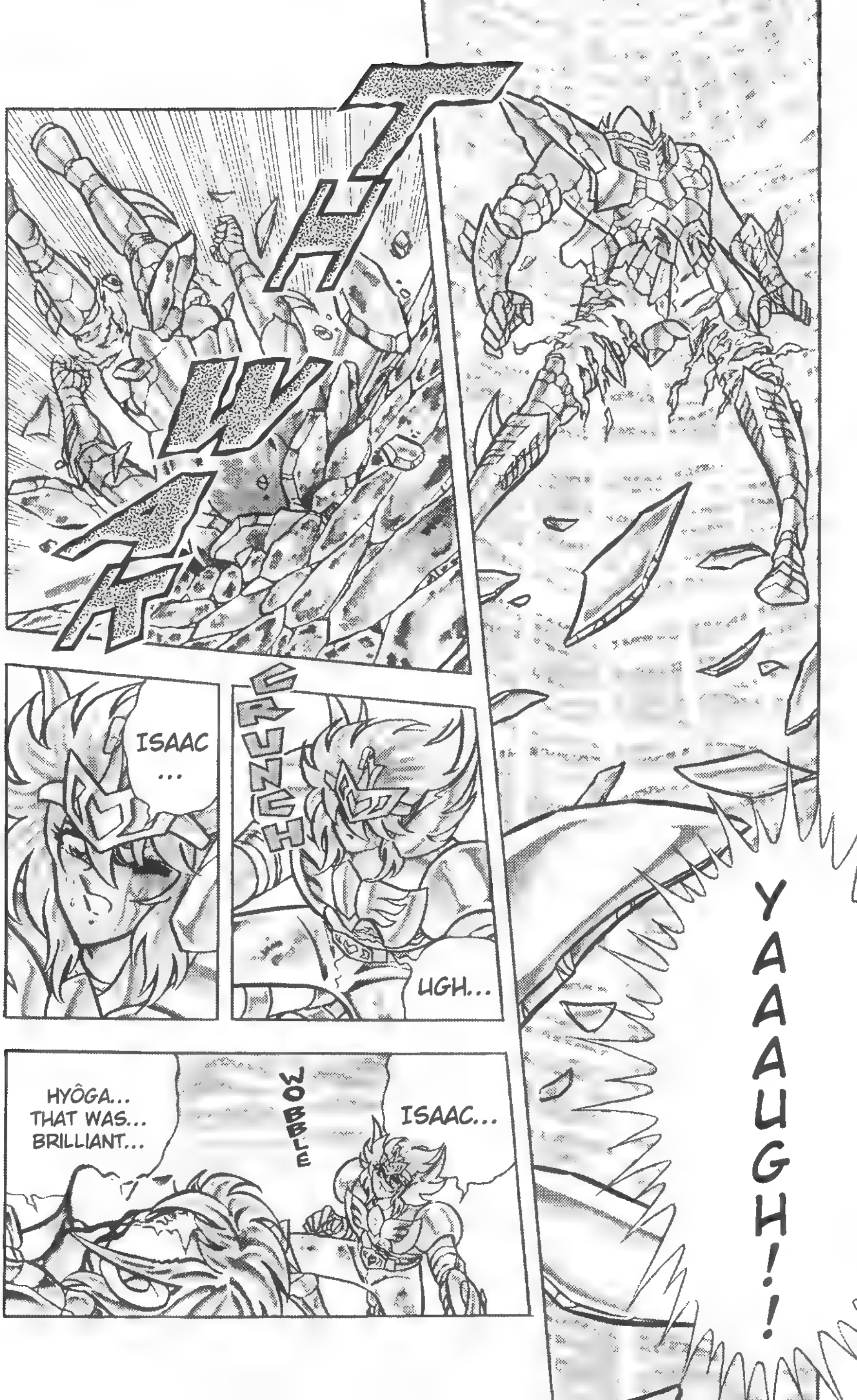

PREPARE YOURSELF, HYÔGA! I'M GOING TO SEND YOU OFF!
WHAT IS THAT STANCE?
UNH!
...MASTER CAMUS'S GREATEST MOVE!
NO! THAT'S...
THAT'S...

THE AURORA EXECUTION!!
SHING

DOOOOM
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU, ISAAC! THIS IS CAMUS'S PUNISHMENT, NOT MINE!
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH WITH A BORROWED MOVE?

READ THIS WAY

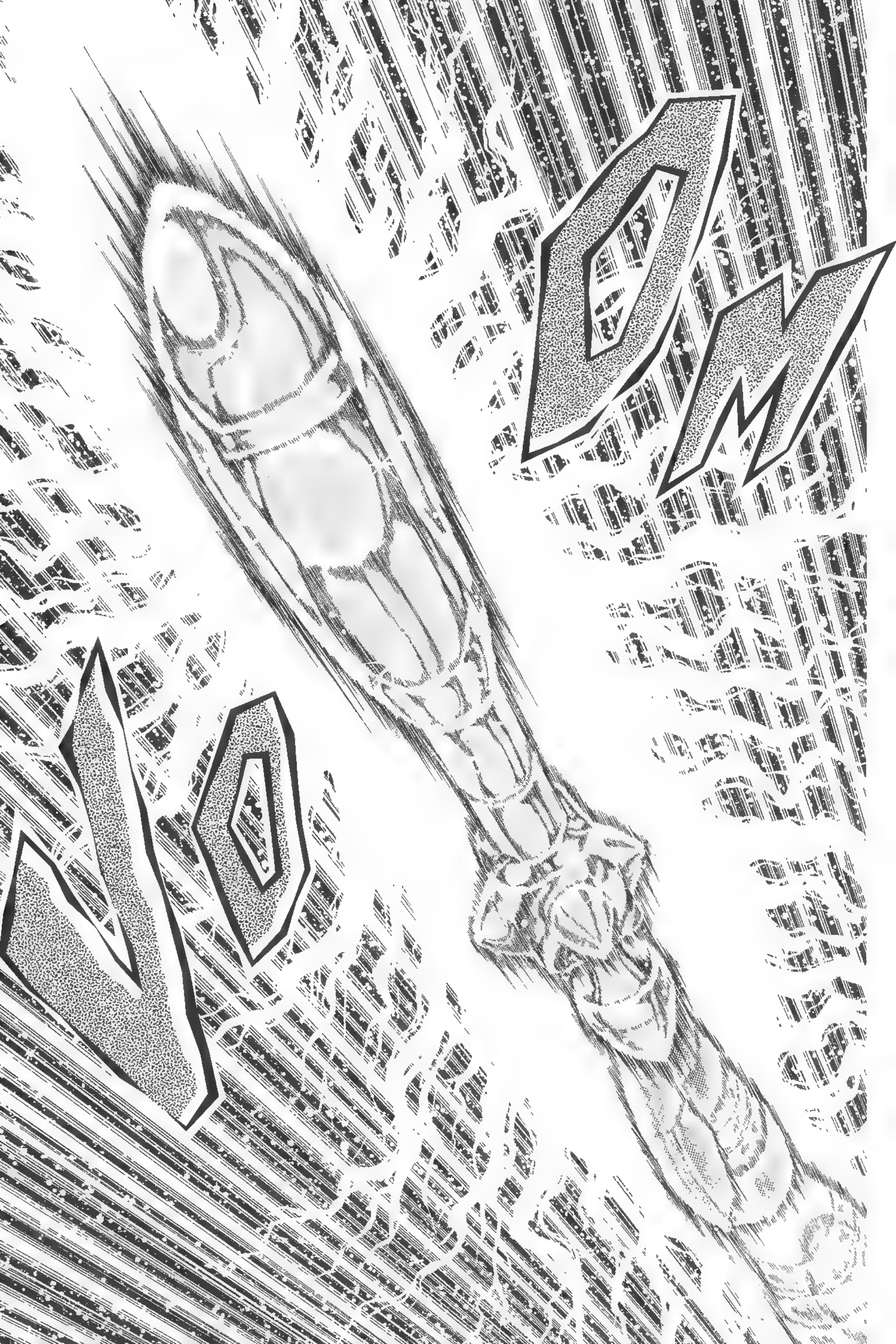
AURORA EXECU-TION!!



THWAK
YAAAAUGH!!
ISAAC ...
CRUNCH
UGH...
HYÔGA... THAT WAS... BRILLIANT...
WOBBLE
ISAAC...

READ THIS WAY
FINALLY KEPT YOUR COOL...EH?
ISAAC...
NOW WE CAN FINALLY RETURN TO OUR PAST FRIENDSHIP...

SHAK
hff
hff
hff
hff
RAAAH!
TING
hff
hff
hff



READ THIS WAY

HEY... HANG IN THERE, ISAAC.
hff
hff
WHAT WERE YOU ABOUT TO SAY?
LISTEN... HYÔGA... FROM NOW ON, DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN...
hff
hff
hff
THE MAN WHO ORCHES-TRATED THIS CONFLICT ...
...IS A FEARSOME PRESENCE...
YOU KNIGHTS... ALREADY KNOW HIM...
NO!
UGH!
HEY!
ARE YOU SERIOUS, ISAAC?
I...
ISAAC...

I CAN'T BELIEVE...
...THAT MAN MANIPU-LATED US...
ZAAK
IF WHAT ISAAC TOLD ME IS TRUE, THIS BATTLE...
...IS A PLOT TO MASSACRE THE KNIGHTS!
hff
hff
PLIP
PLIP
DRAT! I'VE GOT TO WARN THE OTHERS!
IF THEY JUST CHARGE INTO POSEIDON'S TEMPLE, THEY'LL BE IN DANGER!
UNH...
THUD
I'M FEELING WEAKER... AND WEAKER...
UNH...
BLOOD KEEPS FLOWING FROM MY WOUND...
DOOOOOOM

ABSURD!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, HE MAY HAVE MEANT FOR THE BRONZE KNIGHTS TO DIE?
MIRO... ALDEBARAN...
SHAKA...
POSEIDON'S TEMPLE IS SAID TO BE UNDER THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA, PRACTICALLY UNDER OUR NOSES HERE AT SANCTUARY.
EVEN IF JUST AIORIA AND I WENT DOWN THERE, THE SEVEN GENERALS WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE.

SEIYA AND THE OTHERS WOULDN'T NEED TO DIE! SO WHY WON'T RÔSHI LET US GO?
GRRRRM
NO...
DON'T TELL ME THAT RÔSHI...

THAT WAS THE ARCTIC OCEAN PILLAR!
DOOM...
HYÔGA, I BET.
DOWN TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH ATLANTIC PILLARS!
BUT FIRST I'LL RUN AHEAD AND SERVE POSEIDON'S HEAD ON A PLATTER.

SORRY TO DISAPPOINT, BUT I WON'T LET YOU NEAR LORD POSEIDON.
NOT AS LONG AS I, GENERAL SEA DRAGON, AM STILL STANDING!
SEA DRAGON, EH?
WHAT ABOUT THE PILLAR YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DEFEND-ING?
HEH...THERE'S NO NEED TO GUARD THE NORTH ATLANTIC PILLAR NOW.
WHAT?
YOU'RE THE ONLY UNINJURED KNIGHT LEFT.

I WON'T HAVE YOU PESTERING LORD POSEIDON.
FRRM
THAT'S WHY I MYSELF CAME OUT TO CONFRONT YOU.
GRR
HUH?
I FEEL LIKE I'VE FACED THIS MAN BEFORE!
HIS COSMO... IT'S FAMILIAR!
DON'T TELL ME HE'S...

READ THIS WAY

GALAXIAN EXPLO-SION!!

AAAAAARGH!!
GAH!
ARGH!
NO WAY...
THAT'S THE MOVE...OF A GOLD KNIGHT...

CRUNCH
UGH...
TELL ME YOUR TRUE IDENTITY...
hff
hff
hff
SEA DRAGON... WHO *ARE* YOU?
OH!
OH...
TUK
HEH. YOU WANT TO SEE MY FACE?
VERY WELL! LOOK UPON IT AND WORSHIP IT!
JUST AS I THOUGHT!
BUT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DEAD!

GEMINI SAGA!!

FLASH
GEMINI RETURNS!

GEMINI...
SAGA...
hff
hff
hff
NO...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
HEH. SAGA?
DON'T MISTAKE ME FOR MY FOOL OF A BIG BROTHER.
BROTHER?
YOU MEAN YOU'RE...

THAT'S RIGHT. I'M SAGA'S BROTHER!!
GEMINI CANON!

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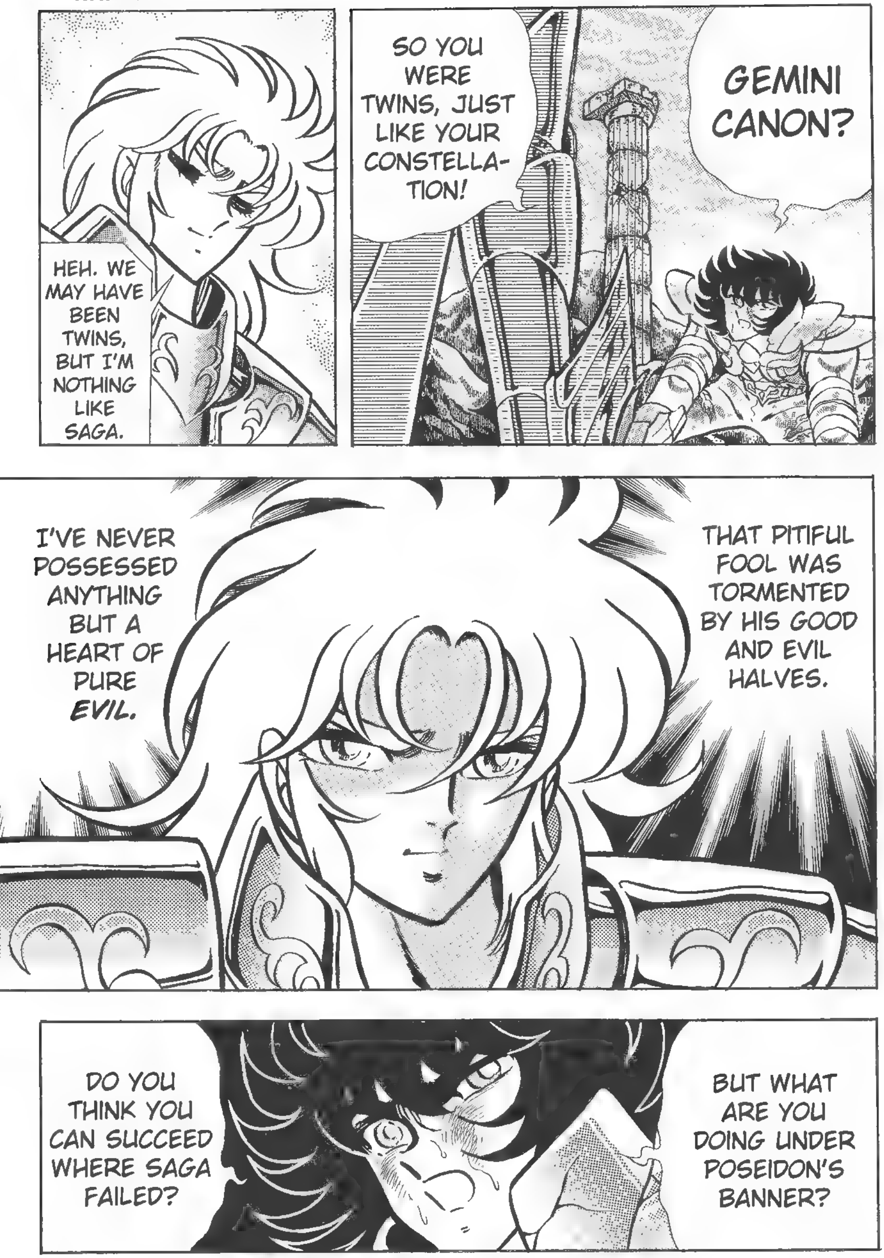
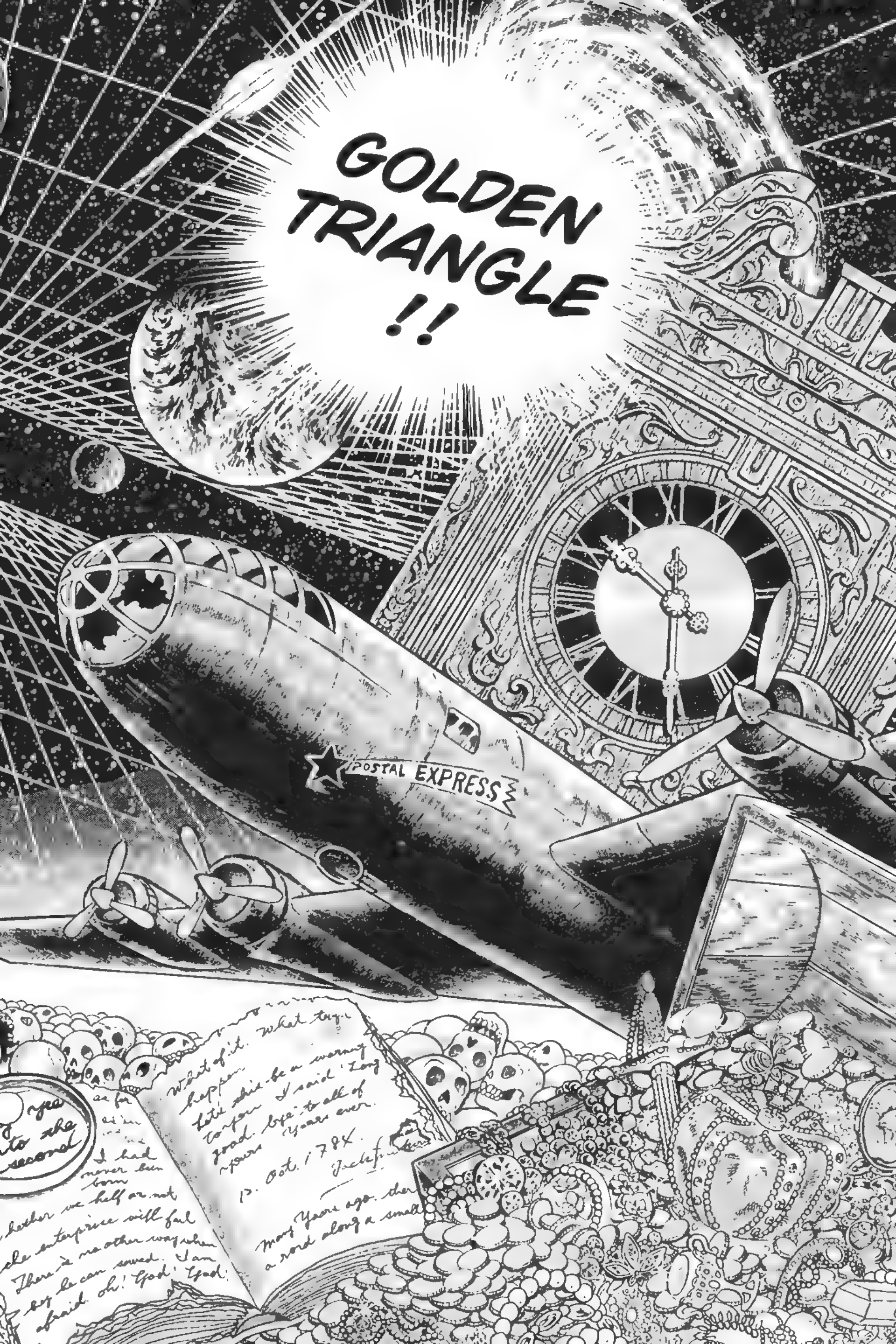


I DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER YOU!
I'LL STOP YOUR BREATH RIGHT NOW!
UNH!
SHUK
HEH...I'VE HEARD YOU'RE JUST LIKE YOUR CONSTELLATION, THE PHOENIX, ALWAYS MEANDERING BACK TO LIFE FROM THE UNDERWORLD...
IT'D BE A BOTHER IF YOU RETURNED AGAIN.
I'D BE BETTER OFF BLASTING YOU INTO ANOTHER PLANE.
SOMEWHERE YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO ESCAPE.
WHAT? SOME OTHER DIMENSION?
THEN YOU'VE MASTERED SAGA'S FAVORITE MOVE, EH?

READ THIS WAY
HEH HEH HEH! I DON'T HAVE TO KEEP PARROTING MY BROTHER'S MOVES, YOU KNOW!!
CANON'S TRACING THE OUTLINE OF A TRI-ANGLE!
WHAT THE...
FALL INTO THE CRACKS OF TIME, PHOENIX!!
ARGH!


GOLDEN TRIANGLE !!
POSTAL EXPRESS

WITHIN MY CHARGE, THE NORTH ATLANTIC, IS THE FEARED BERMUDA TRIANGLE.
THOSE WHO ENTER THAT PATCH OF OCEAN DISAPPEAR FROM THIS REALM FOREVER.
PHOENIX, YOU HAVE NOW ENTERED THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE.
YOU'LL ROAM ANOTHER DIMENSION FOR ALL TIME.
HEH HEH HEH...

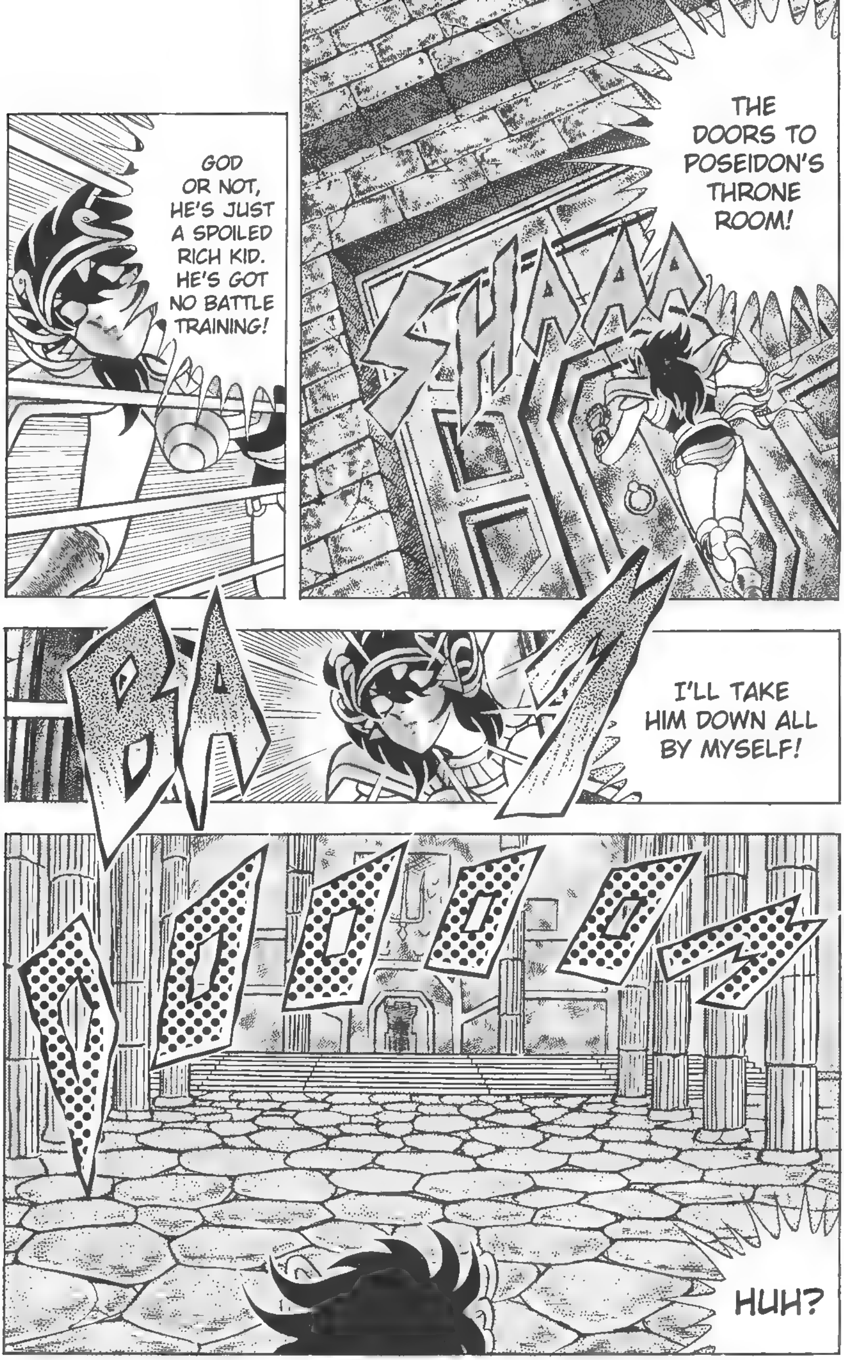
READ THIS WAY

OH!
IKKI'S COSMO VAN-ISHED!
NO...NOT JUST IKKI! I CAN NO LONGER SENSE ANY OF THE KNIGHTS' COSMOS!
DON'T TELL ME THEY'VE ALL DIED...
...LEAVING THE TWO ATLANTIC PILLARS STANDING!
HA! YOU GUYS WERE NEVER POWERFUL ENOUGH TO CHALLENGE US. NOW IT'S SETTLED!
ATHENA'S PROBABLY DEAD, TOO.
UGH!
TAK
WHERE ARE YOU GOING, SHINA?

I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR YOU NOW!
OUT OF MY WAY, TETHYS!
UNH!
WHERE DO YOU THINK? MY ONLY HOPE IS TO CONFRONT POSEIDON DIRECTLY!
TA
KKA
FOOL! I WON'T LET YOU NEAR LORD POSEIDON!
THUNDER COBRA!!

AIEE!
WAM
UGH!
AQ
UGH ...
WAIT, SHINA ...
LORD JULIAN...IS NO LONGER MORTAL. LIKE ATHENA, HE'S A GOD NOW...
IF YOU RAISE YOUR HAND AGAINST A GOD... TERRIBLE THINGS WILL HAPPEN...
I...I CAN'T GUARANTEE YOU'LL SURVIVE THE WRATH OF A GOD... SHINA...
SHUK

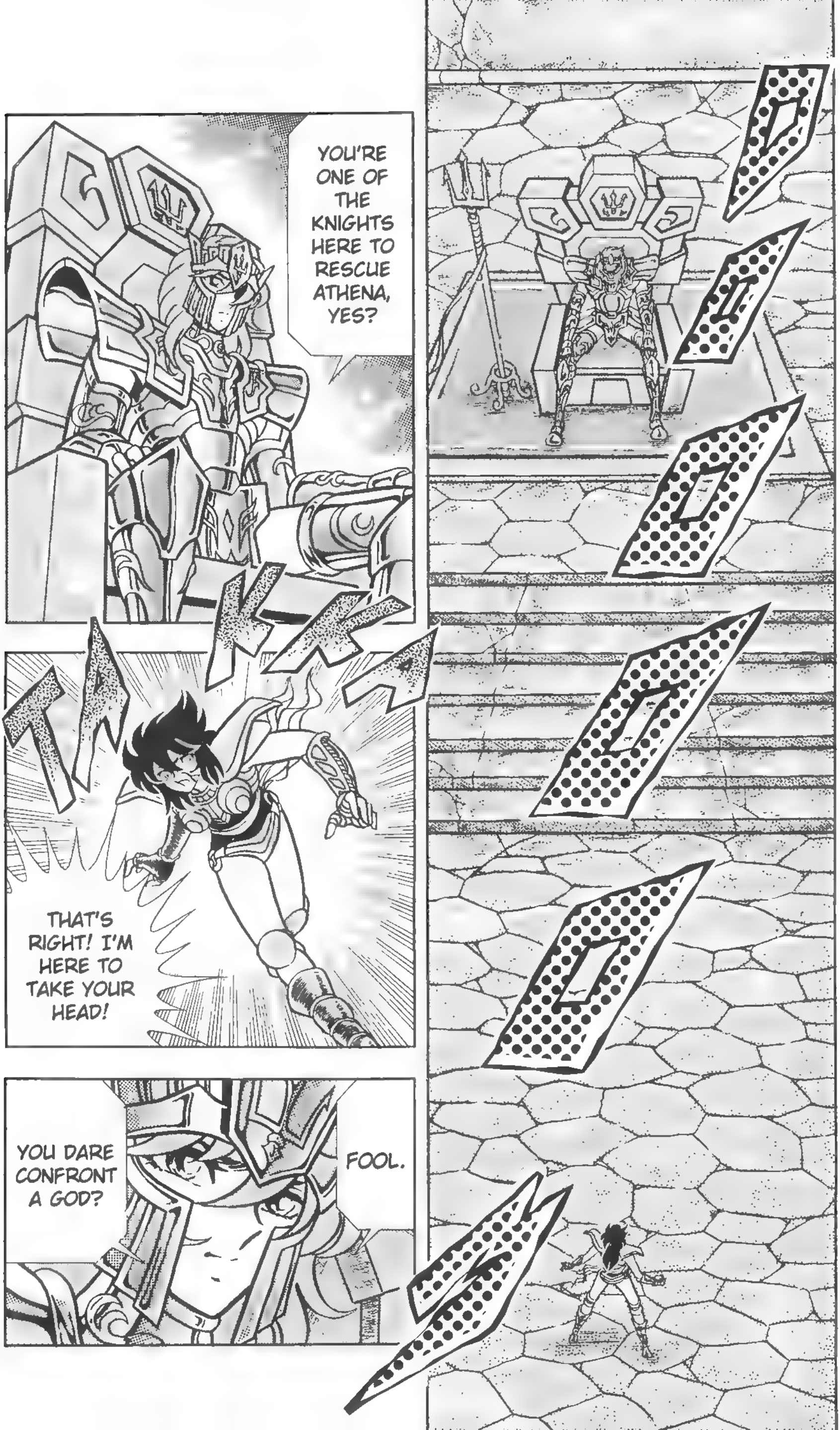
DAK DAK DAK DAK DAK
I'M THE ONLY ONE STILL STANDING!
IF I DON'T SAVE ATHENA, THE WORLD IS DOOMED!
WHY'S IT SO QUIET IN HERE?
THERE AREN'T EVEN ANY SOLDIERS. HOW CREEPY...
OH!


THE DOORS TO POSEIDON'S THRONE ROOM!
SHAAA
GOD OR NOT, HE'S JUST A SPOILED RICH KID. HE'S GOT NO BATTLE TRAINING!
I'LL TAKE HIM DOWN ALL BY MYSELF!
BAM
DOOOOM
HUH?

POSEIDON !!
OH!

SUCH A MASSIVE COSMO...
THE ONLY COSMO LIKE THAT I'VE EVER SENSED IS ATHENA'S.
WHO ARE YOU?
ANSWER ME.
UNH!

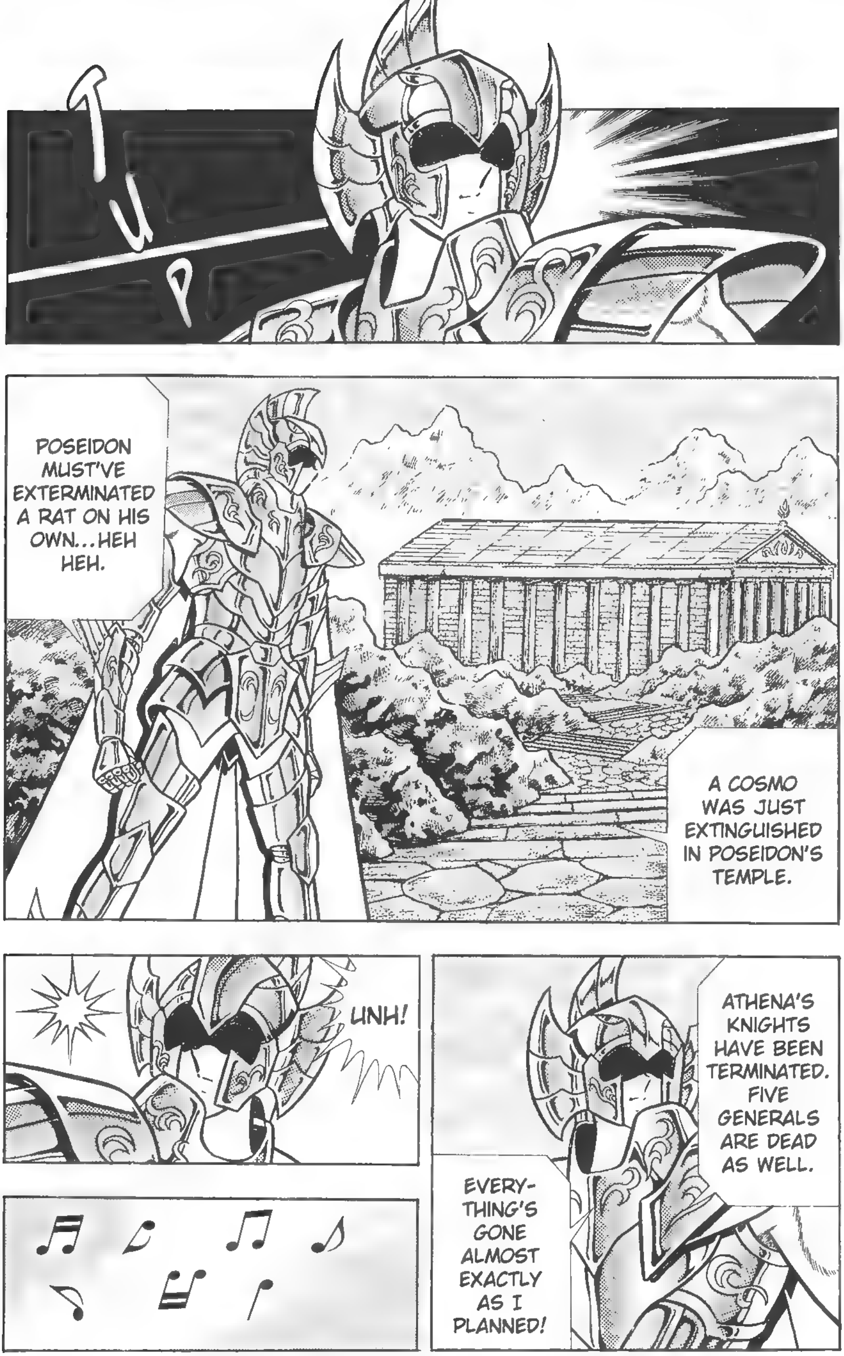
READ THIS WAY
TAK-KA
JULIAN SOLO REALLY HAS ATTAINED GODHOOD!
THE POWER EMANATING FROM HIM IS BEYOND HUMAN!


YOU'RE ONE OF THE KNIGHTS HERE TO RESCUE ATHENA, YES?
THAT'S RIGHT! I'M HERE TO TAKE YOUR HEAD!
YOU DARE CONFRONT A GOD?
FOOL.

READ THIS WAY

WAAH!
ALL MY STRENGTH... DRAINING FROM ME...
WH... WHAT WAS THAT?
WAK

NO, NOT JUST MY STRENGTH... IT'S LIKE MY *LIFE ITSELF* IS BEING DRAWN OUT...
IS THIS...
...THE POWER OF A GOD?
S... SEIYA...
SEIYAAAA...

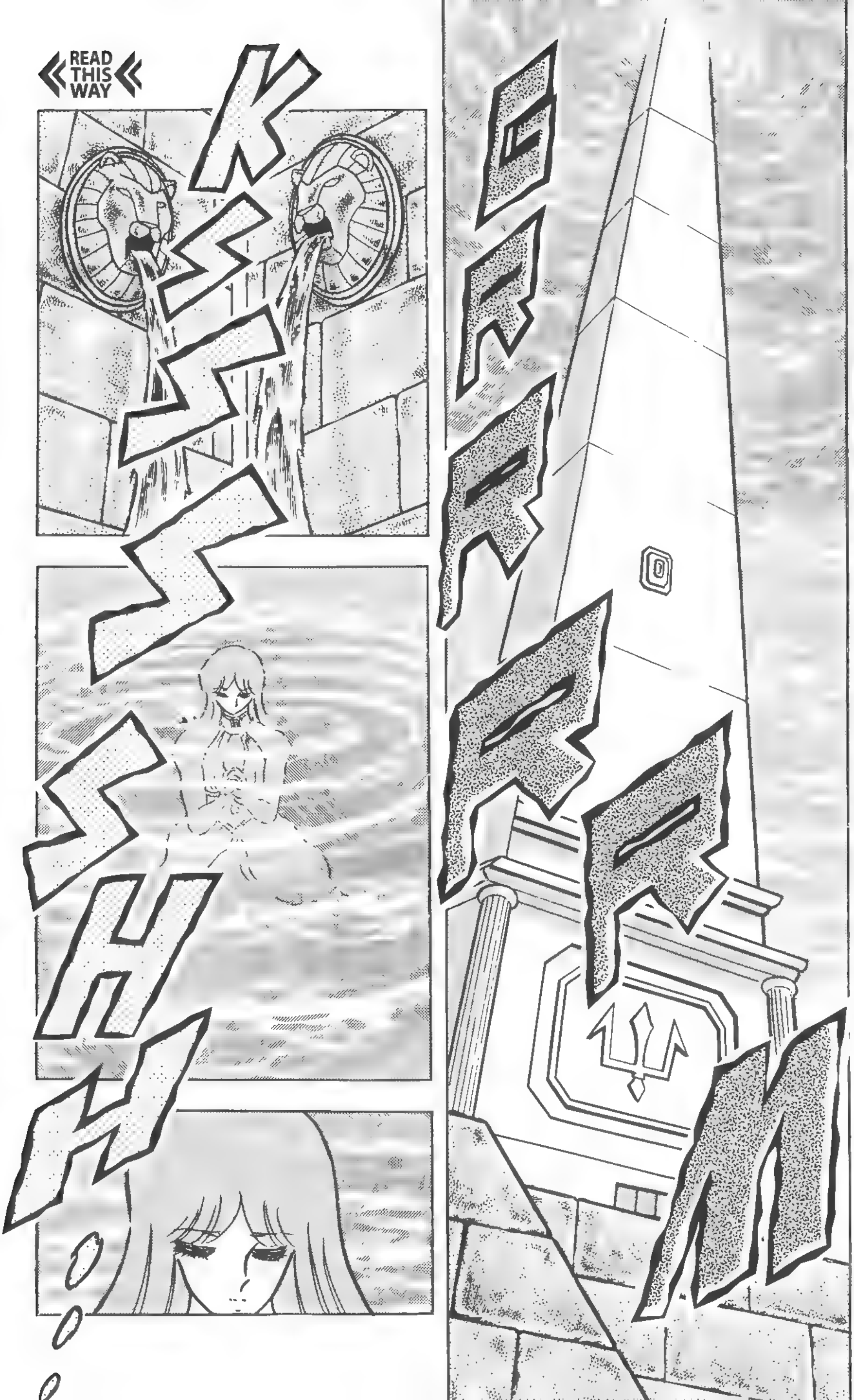

TUP
POSEIDON MUST'VE EXTERMINATED A RAT ON HIS OWN...HEH HEH.
A COSMO WAS JUST EXTINGUISHED IN POSEIDON'S TEMPLE.
UNH!
ATHENA'S KNIGHTS HAVE BEEN TERMINATED. FIVE GENERALS ARE DEAD AS WELL.
EVERY-THING'S GONE ALMOST EXACTLY AS I PLANNED!

READ THIS WAY

WE MARINERS GATHERED HERE AT LORD POSEIDON'S WILL.
WE WERE TO DESTROY THE CORRUPT EARTH AND BUILD A UTOPIA FOR THE PURE-HEARTED, LIKE THE WORLD IN THE AGE OF MYTHS.
TO DO THIS, WE HAD TO ELIMINATE ATHENA'S KNIGHTS.

READ THIS WAY

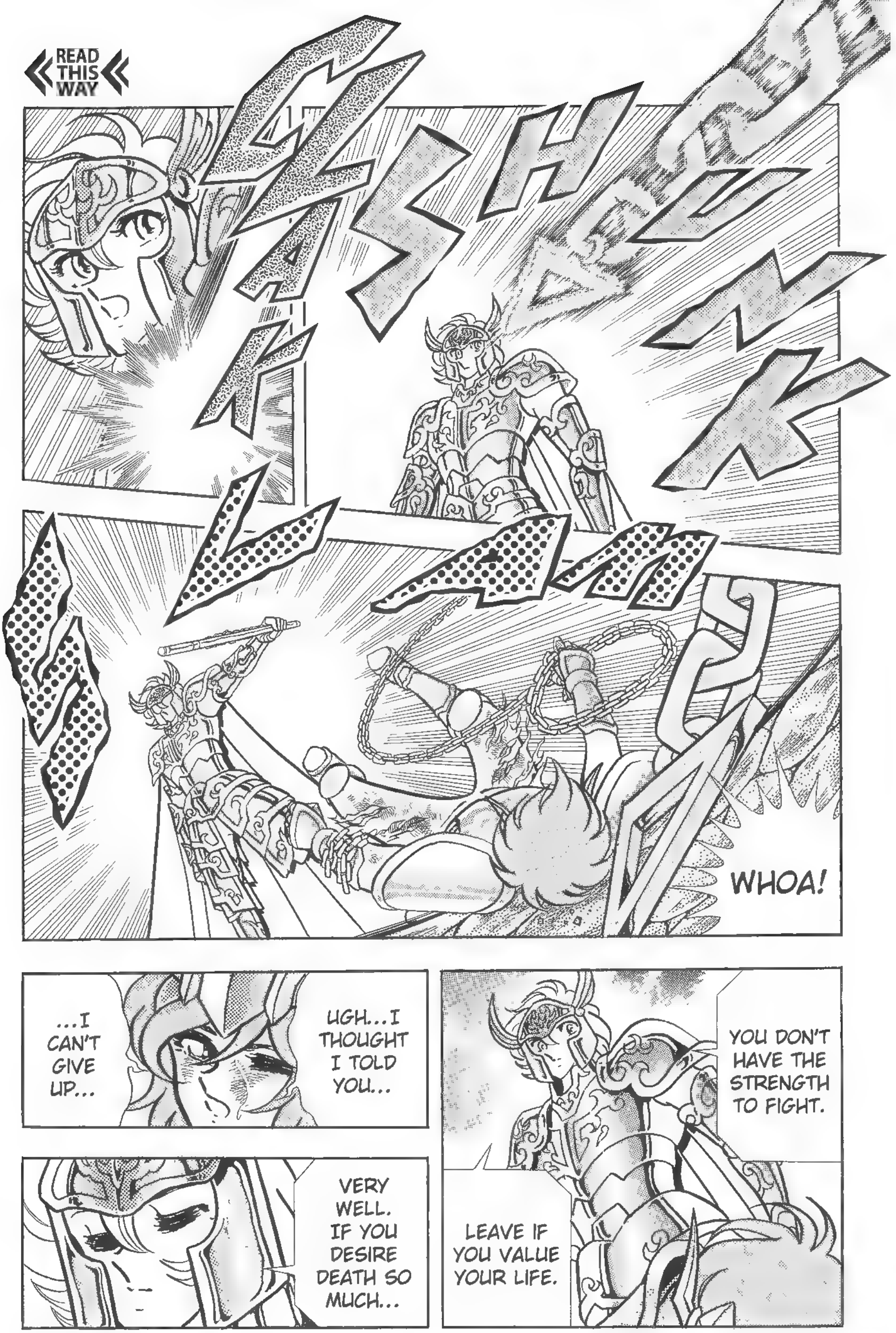
HUH?
UNH!
WHAT IS THIS COSMO?
POWERFUL COSMOS ARE HEADING STRAIGHT FOR THE NORTH AND SOUTH ATLANTIC PILLLARS!
ABSURD! ALL OF THE KNIGHTS ARE DEAD!
SORENTO, WE'LL SPEAK LATER! RETURN TO YOUR PILLAR IMMEDIATELY!
IF THE LAST TWO PILLARS ARE DESTROYED, OUR UNDERWATER SANCTUARY WILL FALL!


READ THIS WAY
KSSSSHH
GRRRRM

hff
hff
hff
hff
SO THIS IS THE SOUTH ATLANTIC PILLAR, HUH?
BUT WHERE'S THE GENERAL WHO GUARDS IT?
UNH!

A MARINER!
I WAS ABOUT TO SAY HOW AMAZED I AM THAT YOU MADE IT HERE...BUT IT SEEMS YOU USED UP ALL YOUR STRENGTH.
SO YOU'RE THIS PILLAR'S GENERAL?
THAT'S RIGHT. MY NAME IS SIREN SORENTO.

SIREN SORENTO? THEN YOU'RE THE MARINER WHO DEFEATED ALDEBARAN IN JAPAN!
YES. THANKS TO ATHENA, I WAS UNABLE TO FINISH HIM OFF.
NO MATTER. THIS BATTLE'S ALREADY OVER.
I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT A MAN ON THE VERGE OF DEATH. JUST GO.
YOU'VE GOT TO BE JOKING. THE BATTLE ISN'T OVER YET!
AS LONG AS ONE OF US IS STILL ALIVE...
...WE CAN'T STOP FIGHTING TO SAVE ATHENA AND THE EARTH!
HERE I COME, SIREN!!
NEBULA CHAINS!!

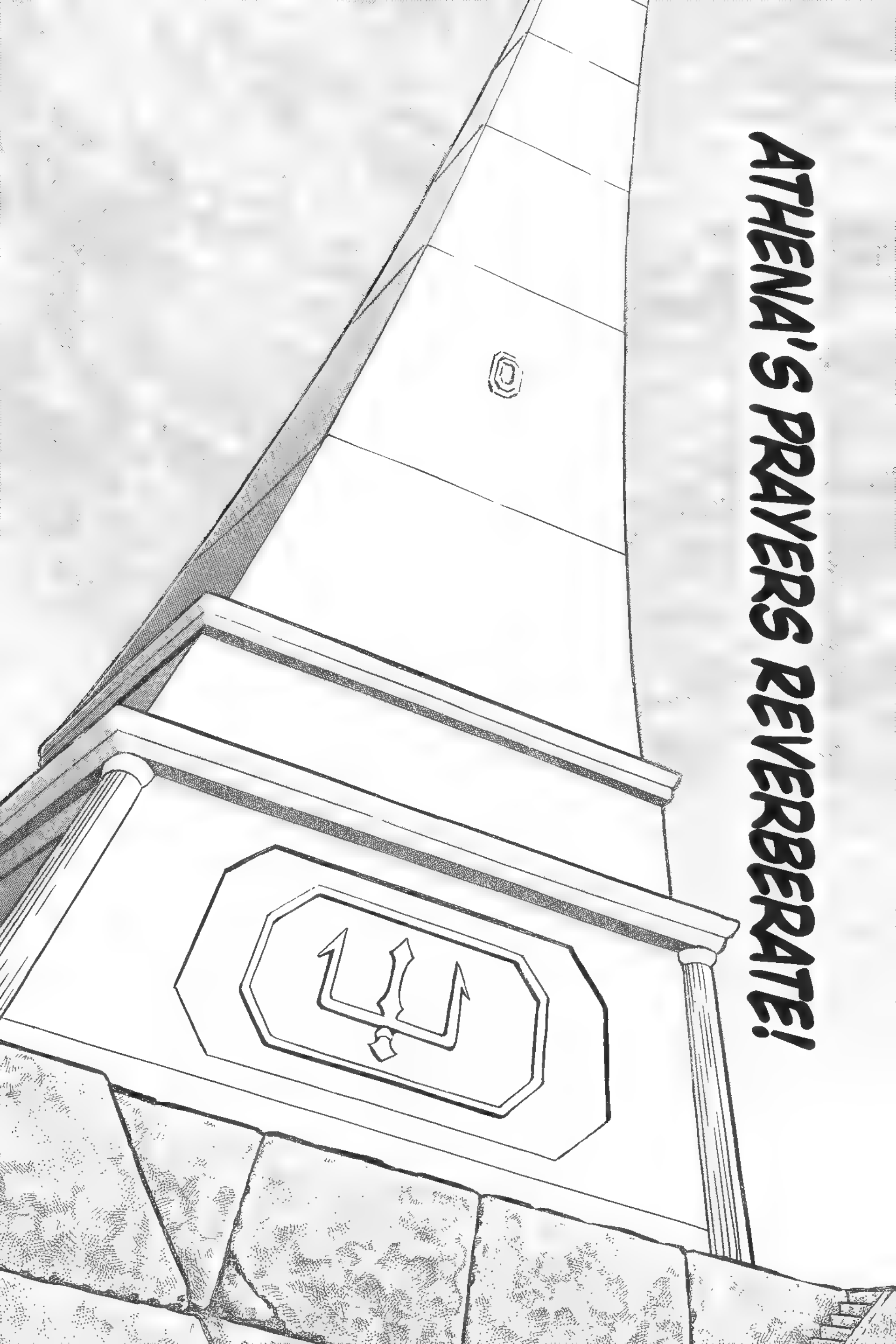

READ THIS WAY
WHOA!
YOU DON'T HAVE THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT.
LEAVE IF YOU VALUE YOUR LIFE.
UGH...I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU...
...I CAN'T GIVE UP...
VERY WELL. IF YOU DESIRE DEATH SO MUCH...

...LISTEN TO MY MELODY OF DEATH!!
UNH ...
WHAT BEAUTIFUL MUSIC...
IT'S LIKE IT'S STEALING MY SOUL AWAY...

DEAD END SYM-PHONY!!

EVEN IF YOU COVER YOUR EARS, THE SOUND OF MY FLUTE WILL REVERBERATE IN YOUR SKULL.
IT WILL KILL YOU!
NO! I WON'T LISTEN TO IT!
OH!
ATHENA!!
WH... WHAT'S THAT MUSIC?

I CAN HEAR ...
... ATHENA SING- ING!!


ATHENA'S PRAYERS REVERBERATE!

SPANK
NO, IT'S MORE LIKE CHANTING...ATHENA'S COSMO, REACHING OUT TO ME IN THE FORM OF A MELODY!
ATHENA'S... SINGING!
IT'S THE SAME TERROR I FELT THAT DAY...
IT'S NOT A FRIGHTENING SONG. IN FACT, IT'S PEACEFUL. AND YET IT CHILLS ME...
WHY AM I TERRIFIED?

KA-BOOM
I WON'T LET YOU KILL THE BRONZE KNIGHTS, SIREN!
HEH. YOU REALLY WANT TO DIE, EH?
[redacted]
ALDEBARAN!
SHAAA

HALT!
ATHENA!
UNH!
I SHALL SPEAK WITH POSEIDON FACE TO FACE.
WH... WHAT?
YOU, SIREN. TAKE ME TO POSEIDON.
UNH...
UNH...

FOR SOME REASON, I COULDN'T REFUSE HER. I LED HER MEEKLY TO POSEIDON'S TEMPLE, LIKE HER VASSAL.
THE TERROR I FELT THAT DAY...AND THE TERROR I SENSE AGAIN NOW...WHAT *IS* IT?
UGH...
ATHENA'S PRAYERS MAY HAVE GIVEN YOU A FEW MORE MINUTES, BUT YOU'RE STILL FATED TO DIE, MY FRIEND.
FORGIVE ME, ANDROMEDA.
FWSH

HUH
SOMEONE ELSE HAS ENTERED POSEIDON'S TEMPLE.
FEH...THOSE KNIGHT VERMIN ARE SO PERSISTENT!
BUT NEVER MIND THAT. I SENSED A FIERCE COSMO HEADING FOR THIS PILLAR...
...BUT NO ONE'S HERE. HOW ODD.
THERE'S A KNIGHT HIDING HERE SOME-WHERE.
I CAN'T SEE ANYONE, BUT I SENSE A COSMO.

hff
hff
hff
SO... YOU'RE POSEIDON, HUH?
NO!
SH... SHINA!!
I CAME BECAUSE I SENSED HER COSMO CALLING ME!
HANG IN THERE, SHINA!

THE WALL BEHIND POSEIDON'S THRONE IS LIFTING!
THAT IS THE MAINSTAY. ATHENA IS INSIDE.
OH...
HALT.

UNH...
I THOUGHT I HEARD SINGING EARLIER, BUT IT SEEMS TO HAVE STOPPED.
IT WAS PROBABLY ATHENA'S LAST PRAYER.
IT'S TOO LATE. THE INTERIOR OF THAT PILLAR IS NOW COMPLETELY FLOODED.

NOW LEAVE.
YOU HAVE LOST WHAT YOU SWORE TO PROTECT.
Y...YOU'VE GOTTA BE JOKING! PRINCESS SIENNA SURVIVED THE TRIALS OF THE 12 PALACES! SHE RETURNED FROM THE BRINK OF DEATH!
SHE'S NOT SO WEAK THAT SHE'D DIE HERE! I KNOW SHE'S ALIVE...AND WE'LL RESCUE HER!
FWOOOOOM
YOU CANNOT LAY A FINGER ON ME.
I AM A GOD.
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SHOULD GET LOST, POSEIDON!!
OR ELSE I'LL REMOVE YOU BY FORCE!!

A GOD? YEAH, RIGHT!
TAKE THIS! PEGASUS METEOR PUNCH!!
SHHING

HUH?
ARGH!
UNH... NO WAY...
MY METEOR PUNCHES... REFLECTED BACK AT ME...

DIDN'T I TELL YOU? I AM A GOD.
IF YOU SPIT AT THE HEAVENS, THEY WILL FALL UPON YOU.
AND IF YOU RAISE YOUR FIST AGAINST A GOD, YOUR OWN BLOWS WILL RAIN BACK ON YOU.
IT'S ALL OVER FOR YOU.

YOU STILL INTEND TO FACE ME?
UNH... UGH...
THE GOLD KNIGHTS GAVE THEIR BLOOD TO THIS CLOTH.
I...I CAN'T GIVE UP...
...I CAN'T GIVE UP! THE GOLD KNIGHTS WOULD LAUGH AT ME!
AS LONG AS I'M WEARING IT...
SHIN
THEN ALLOW ME TO BLAST YOUR CLOTH AWAY FOR YOU.

AUGH!
SH
MY CLOTH WAS TOTALLY UNDAMAGED, AND HE BLEW IT TO *BITS!*
NO...THIS CLOTH WAS ALMOST *GOLD!*
NOOOO!
I'M GONNA BE KILLED!!

CLA
NG
HM.
WHO IS TRYING TO SHIELD SEIYA?

READ THIS WAY

HOW MANY TIMES MUST I TELL YOU, AIORIA? RÔSHI HAS ORDERED US NOT TO LEAVE SANCTUARY.
I CAN'T OBEY AN ORDER THAT WILL KILL NOT JUST THE BRONZE KNIGHTS, BUT ATHENA HERSELF!
I CAN'T LOITER AROUND ANYMORE!
I'M GOING TO GO HELP THE BRONZE KNIGHTS!
IF YOU INSIST ON GOING, I SHALL HAVE TO EXECUTE YOU FOR TREASON AGAINST ATHENA.
WH... WHAT?
I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE.
YOU'D REALLY KILL ME, MÛ?

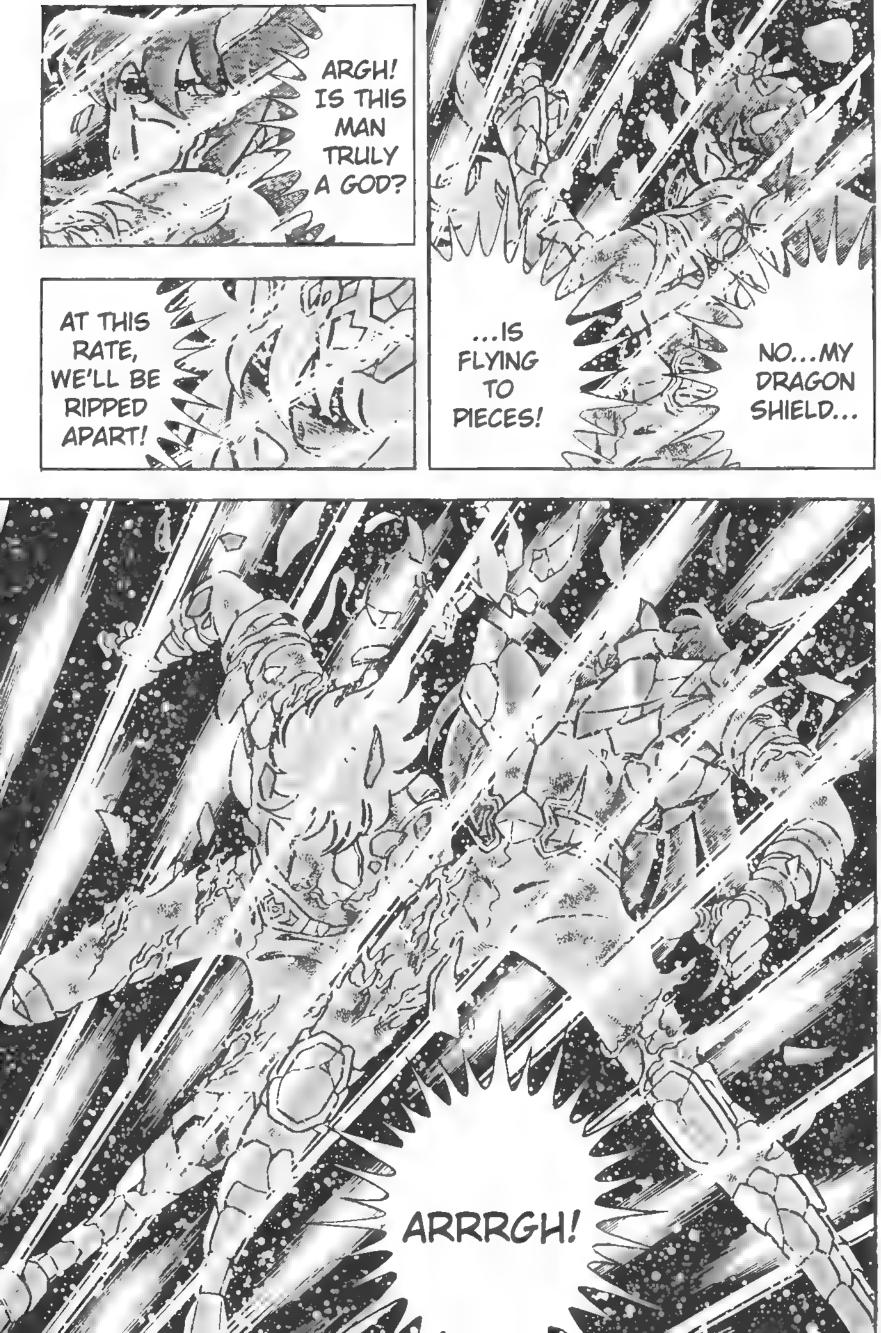
THAT'S CRAZY! STOP IT, BOTH OF YOU!!
WE SHOULDN'T FIGHT AMONGST OURSELVES!
BUT UNLESS WE ACT, THE BRONZE KNIGHTS AND ATHENA...
...REALLY WILL DIE.
HUH?
UNH!
WHAT THE...
THAT'S...

AIORIA, ISN'T THAT...
YES.
A METEOR FLEW FROM THE PALACE OF THE CENTAUR!
IT'S HURTLING TOWARDS THE MEDITERRA-NEAN SEA!
NOT EVEN MIGHTY RÔSHI CAN STOP THE WILL OF AIOROS.
...
AIOROS...THANK YOU. IN THE PLACE OF WE WHO CANNOT LEAVE SANCTUARY ...
...PLEASE HELP SEIYA AND THE OTHERS.

DOOOOOM
YOU SWORE YOU WOULD DIE TOGETHER, EH?
YOU ARE BOTH COVERED IN WOUNDS AND DRAINED OF SPIRIT. HOW CAN TWO NEAR-CORPSES HOPE TO BE OF USE?

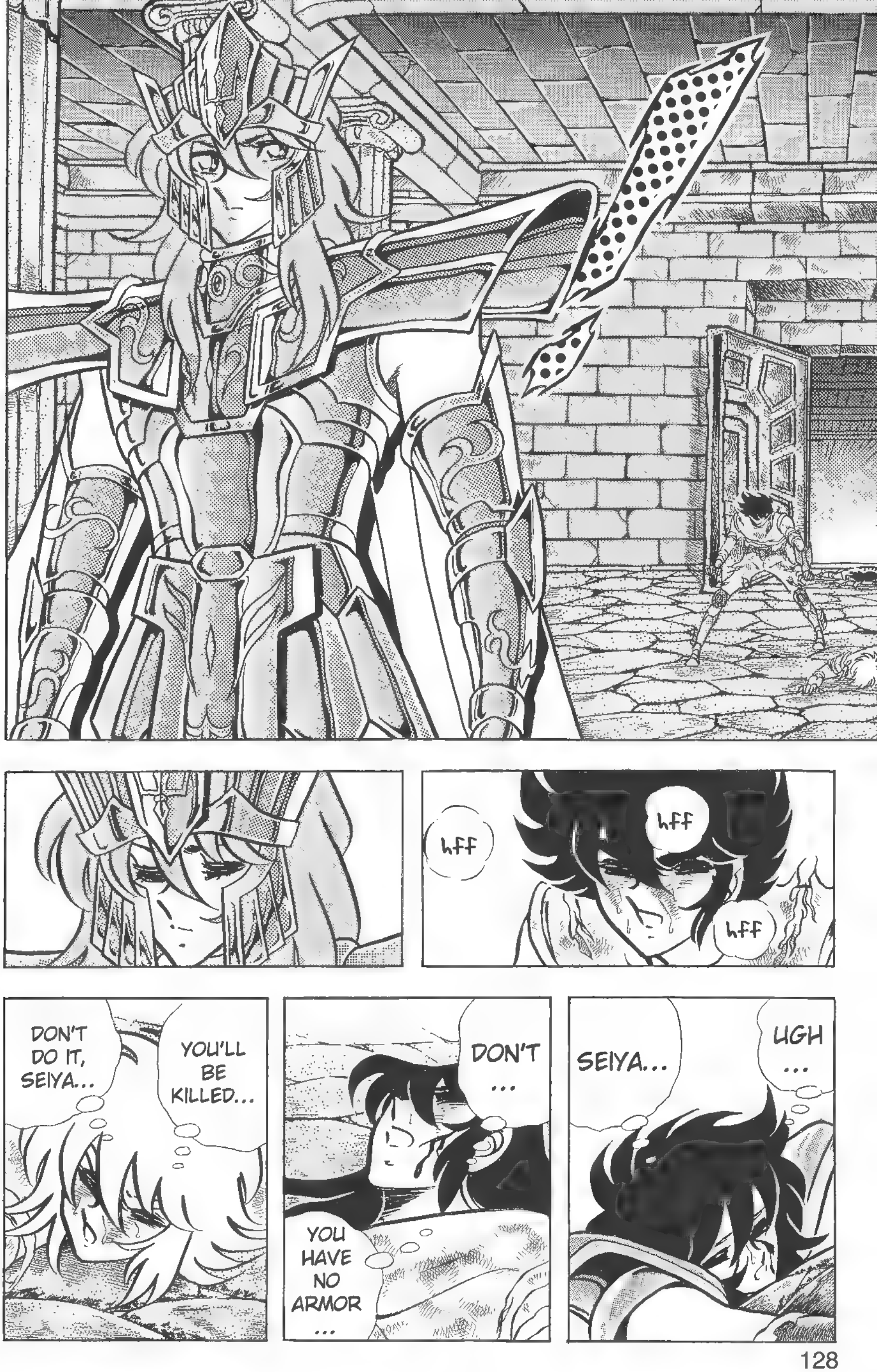
VERY WELL. SO THAT YOUR TRIP TO THE UNDERWORLD IS NOT LONELY, I SHALL KILL YOU TOGETHER.
HEY!
WATCH OUT, HYÔGA!
FLASH
HUH?

READ THIS WAY



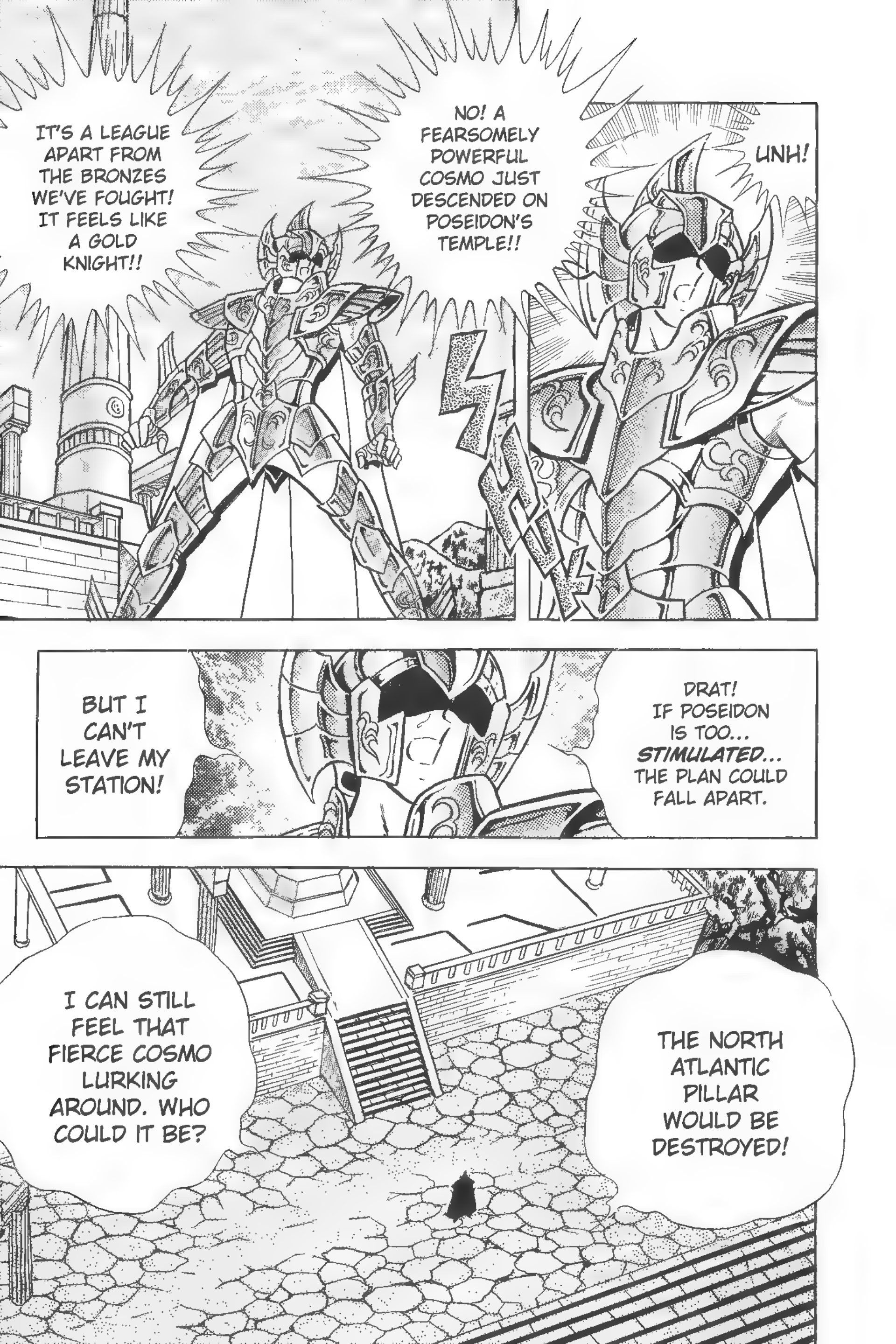
TKKK
ATHENA !!
SHA
THUD
THUD
JUST NOW, I THOUGHT I HEARD ATHENA PRAYING.

ARE YOU STILL ALIVE IN THERE?
VERY WELL. GO ON PRAYING, FOR THE PEOPLE OF EARTH WHO ARE DROWNING...FOR YOUR KNIGHTS WHO RISKED DEATH TO RESCUE YOU...
...AND THEN REST IN PEACE, MY DEAR ATHENA.


hff
hff
hff
DON'T DO IT, SEIYA...
YOU'LL BE KILLED...
DON'T ...
YOU HAVE NO ARMOR ...
SEIYA...
UGH ...

hff
M...MOVE ASIDE, POSEIDON!
hff
hff
I...I TOLD YOU I'D RESCUE ATHENA!
TH...THAT I'D NEVER GIVE UP...
hff
hff
hff
...AS LONG AS MY LIFE'S FIRE IS FLICKERING!
YOU'RE SUCH AN EYESORE. LET ME BLOW OUT THAT FLAME FOR YOU.
I'LL BLOW ALL FOUR OF YOU LINGERING SHADOWS AWAY.

BEGONE !!
UGH!
THAT'S...
WHAT?
HUH?


UNH!
NO! A FEARSOMELY POWERFUL COSMO JUST DESCENDED ON POSEIDON'S TEMPLE!!
IT'S A LEAGUE APART FROM THE BRONZES WE'VE FOUGHT! IT FEELS LIKE A GOLD KNIGHT!!
DRAT! IF POSEIDON IS TOO... *STIMULATED*... THE PLAN COULD FALL APART.
BUT I CAN'T LEAVE MY STATION!
THE NORTH ATLANTIC PILLAR WOULD BE DESTROYED!
I CAN STILL FEEL THAT FIERCE COSMO LURKING AROUND. WHO COULD IT BE?

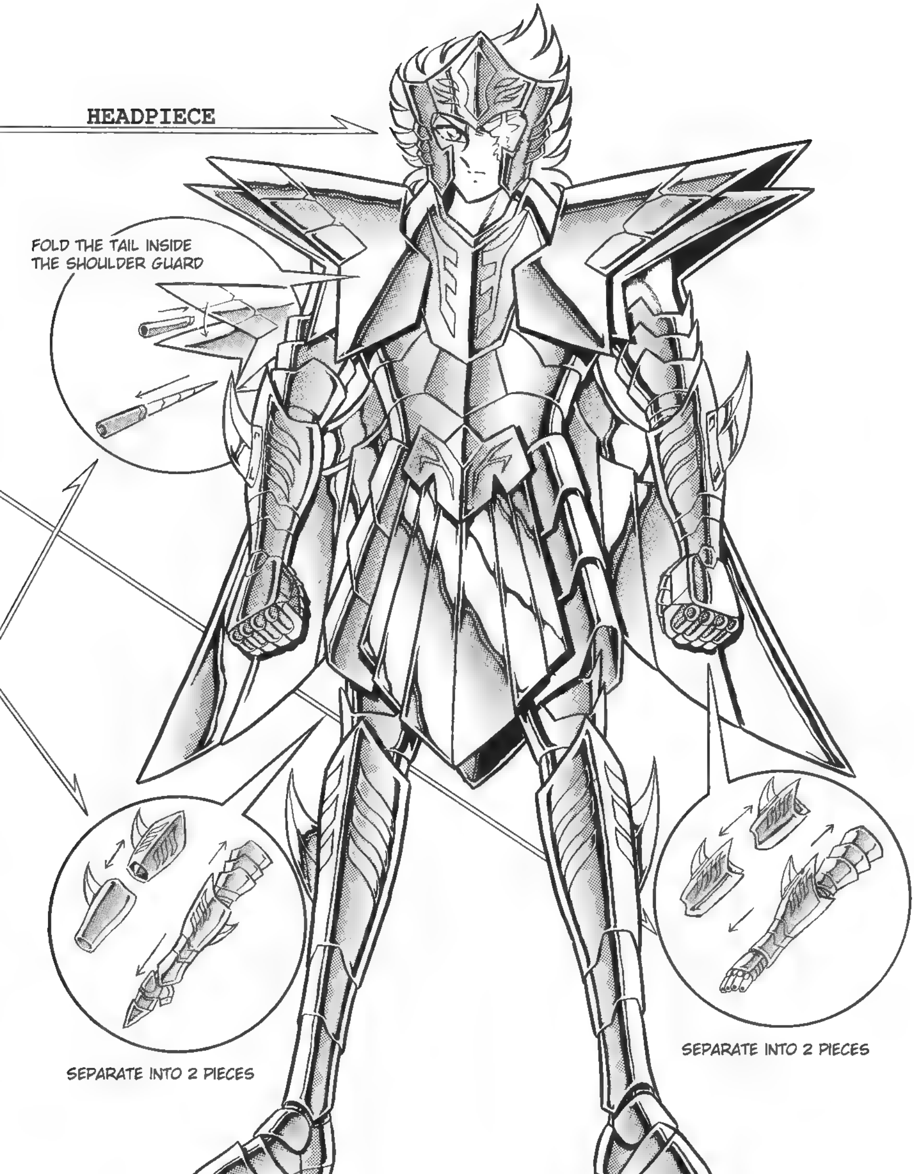
ING

READ THIS WAY

KA-ZA
KLANK
KLANK
KLANK
KLANK

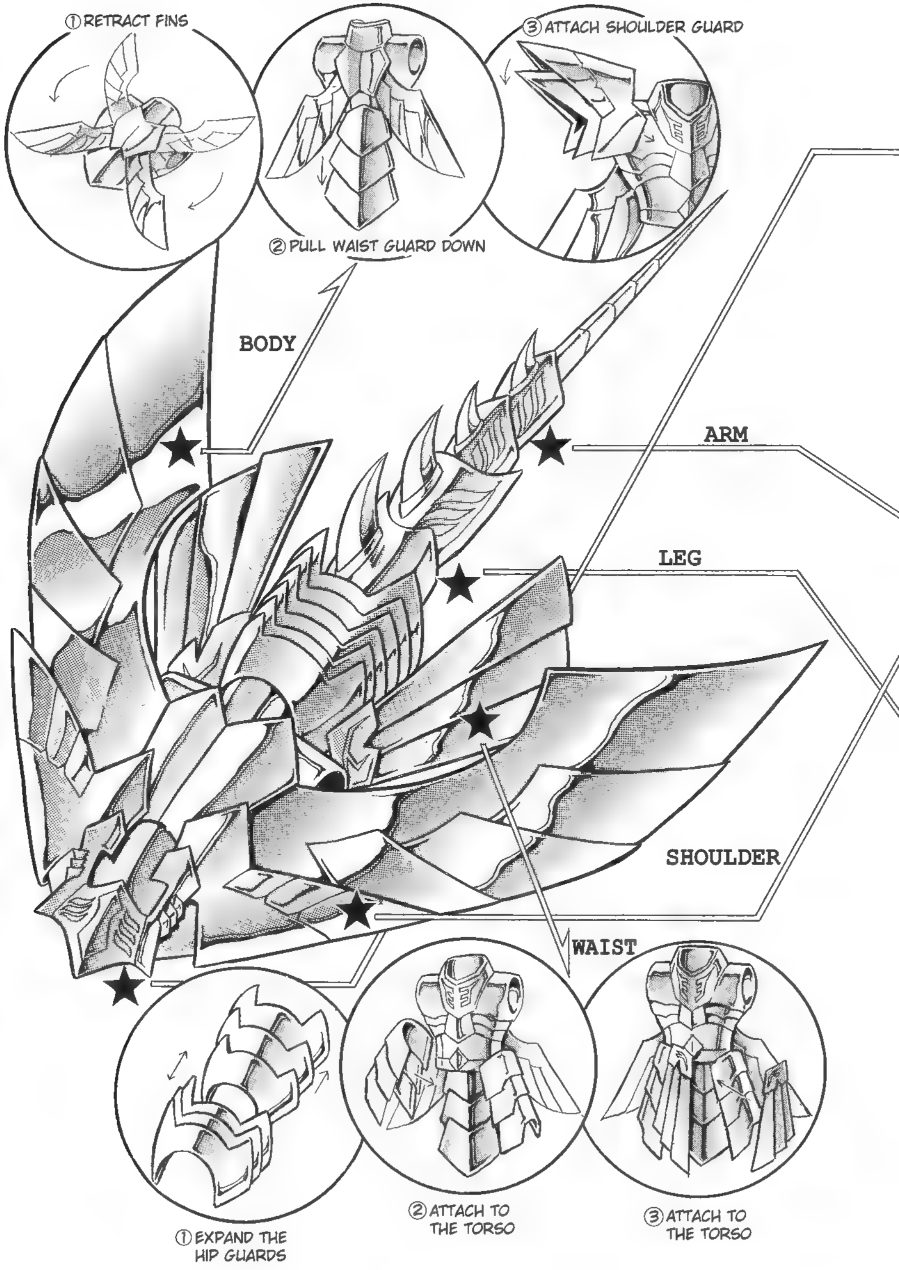
THE CLOTH...
THE SAGITTARIUS CLOTH COVERED SEIYA!
SEIYA!
MOVE ASIDE, POSEIDON!!

MOVE ASIDE, OR I'LL PIERCE YOUR CHEST WITH THIS GOLDEN ARROW!!

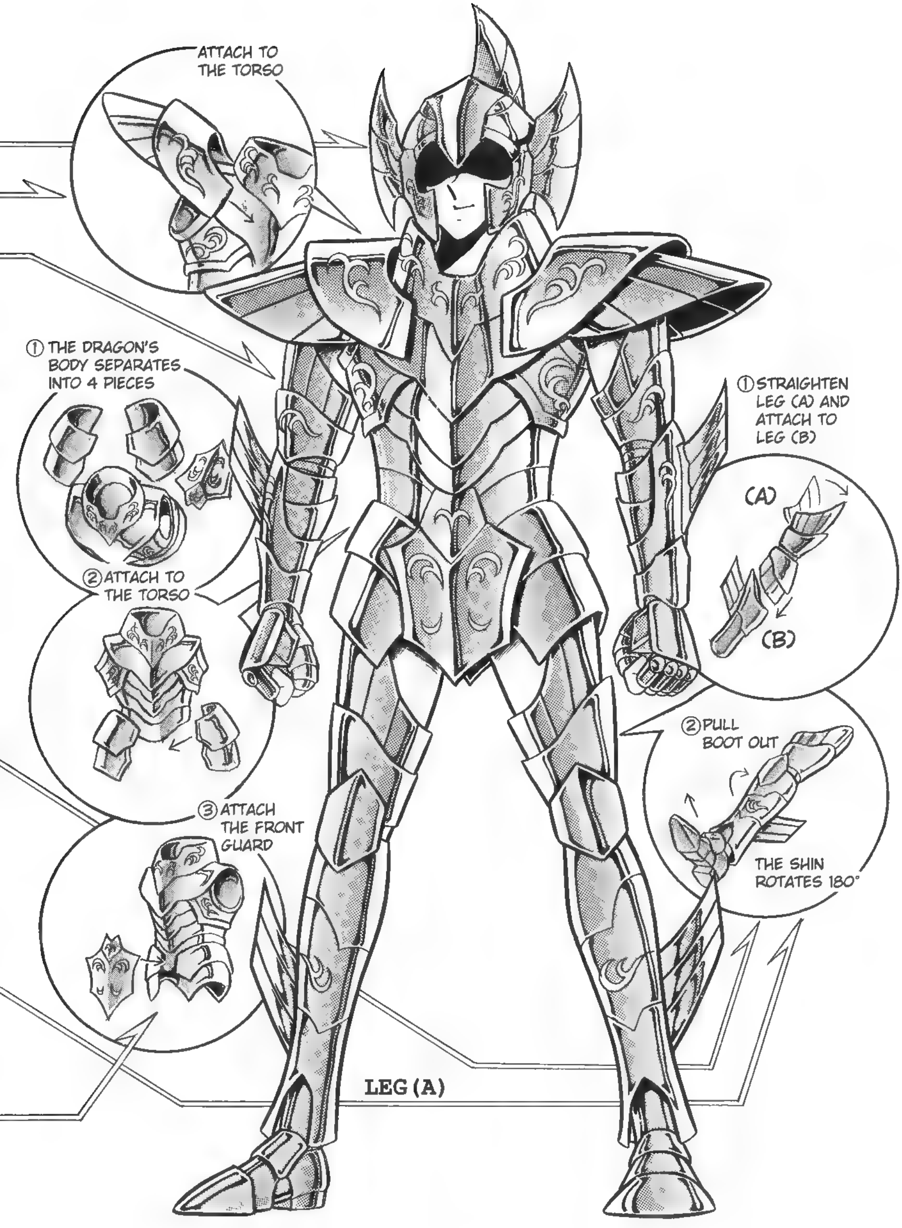


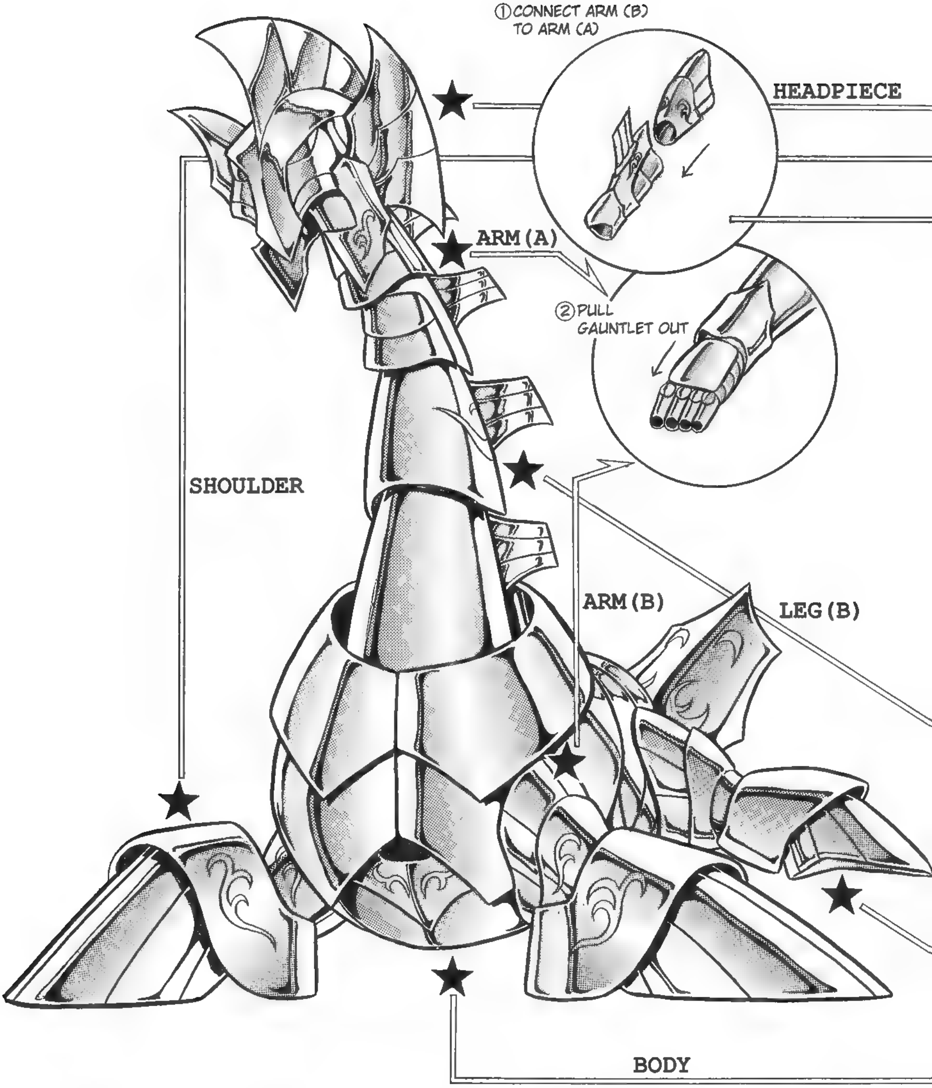
SCALE BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 7

THE KRAKEN SCALE



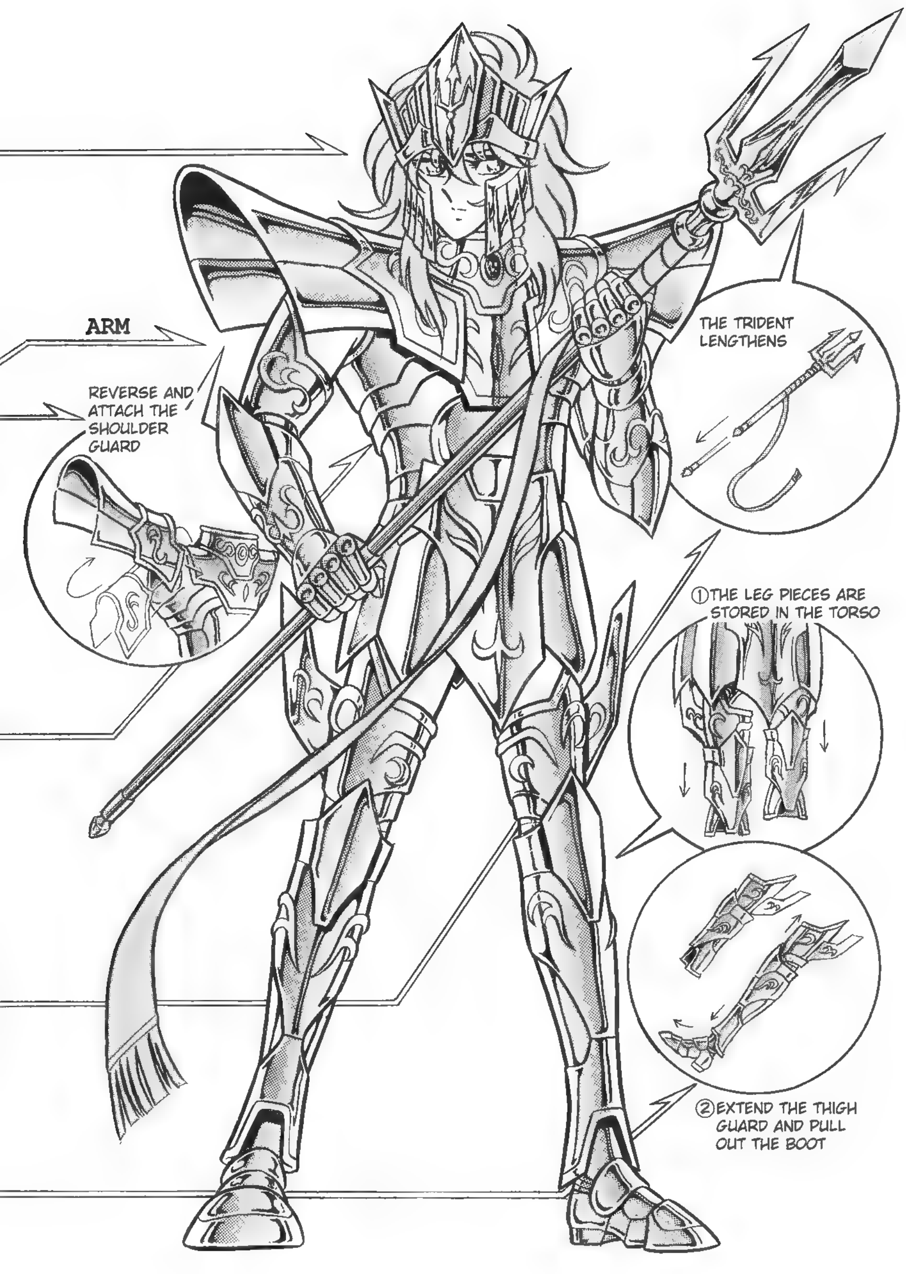
① RETRACT FINS
② PULL WAIST GUARD DOWN
③ ATTACH SHOULDER GUARD
BODY
ARM
LEG
SHOULDER
WAIST
① EXPAND THE HIP GUARDS
② ATTACH TO THE TORSO
③ ATTACH TO THE TORSO

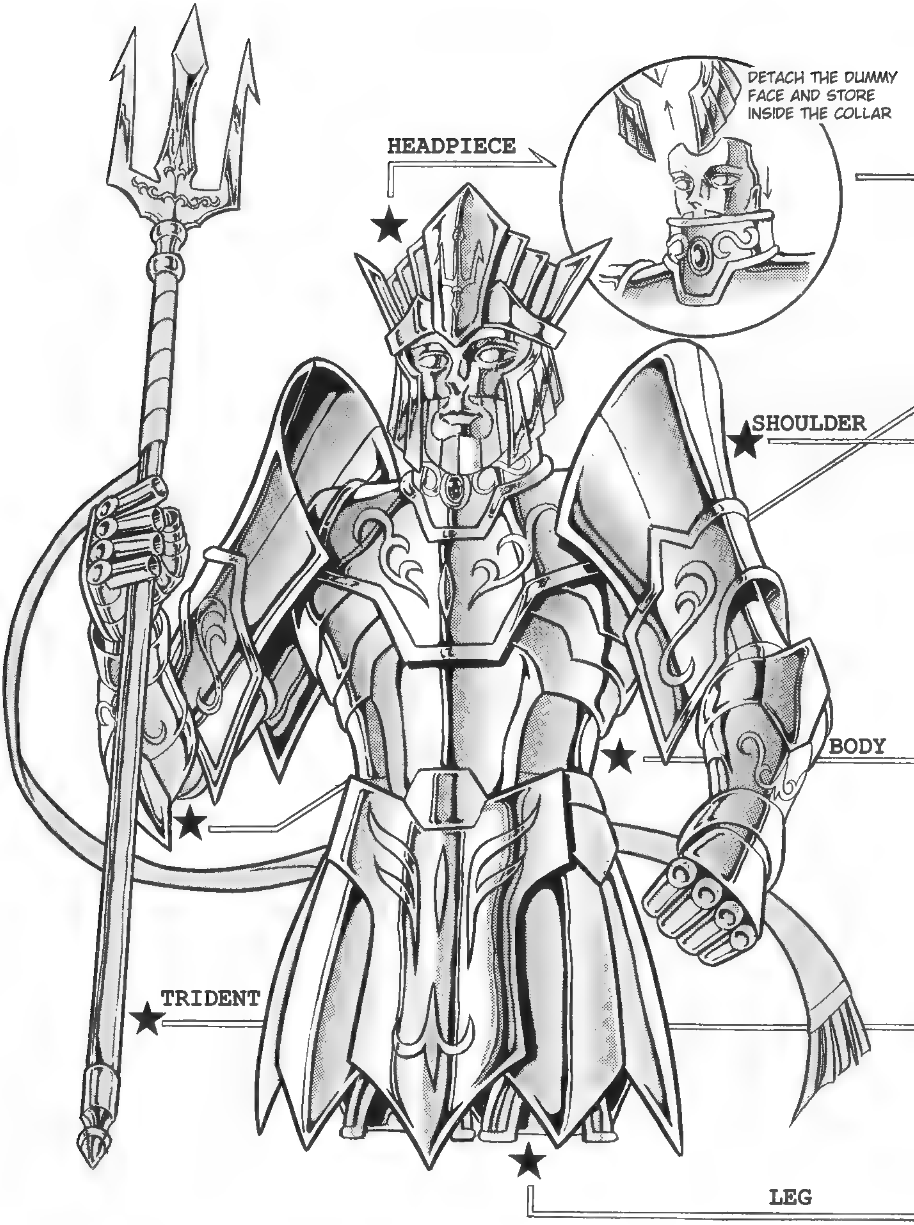

ATTACH TO
THE TORSO
① THE DRAGON'S
BODY SEPARATES
INTO 4 PIECES
② ATTACH TO
THE TORSO
③ ATTACH
THE FRONT
GUARD
① STRAIGHTEN
LEG (A) AND
ATTACH TO
LEG (B)
(A)
(B)
② PULL
BOOT OUT
THE SHIN
ROTATES 180°
LEG (A)



SCALE BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 8

THE SEA DRAGON SCALE


ARM
REVERSE AND ATTACH THE SHOULDER GUARD
THE TRIDENT LENGTHENS
①THE LEG PIECES ARE STORED IN THE TORSO
②EXTEND THE THIGH GUARD AND PULL OUT THE BOOT

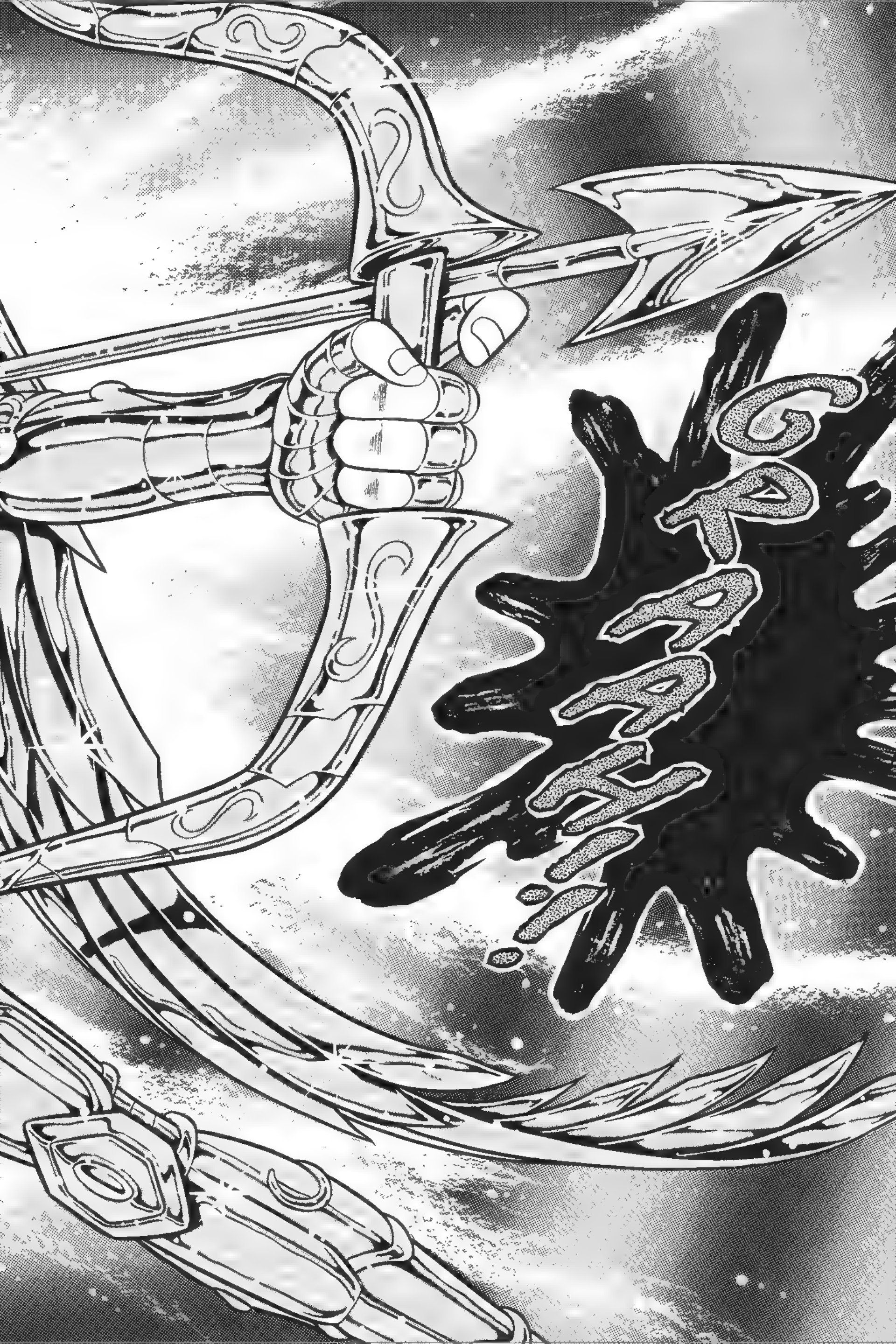


SCALE BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 9

POSEIDON'S SCALE

DISCORD!
THE TWO SOULS

IF YOU RAISE YOUR FIST AGAINST A GOD, YOUR BLOWS WILL RAIN BACK ON YOU.
YOU OUGHT TO KNOW THAT BY NOW.
DOOOOOM
IF YOU SHOOT THAT ARROW, IT MAY PIERCE YOUR OWN CHEST.
BUT IF THAT DOESN'T WORRY YOU, GO AHEAD.
BRRR
ARGH...


GRAAAH!!

KLAK
RRR
UGH...
TAK
I JUST WANT TO RESCUE ATHENA!
BENEATH THAT SOFT EXTERIOR, YOU'RE PRETTY STUBBORN!
hff
hff
I...I'D RATHER NOT RETREAT...

ZHAK
BAM
MM...BUT I REALLY DON'T HAVE TIME FOR YOU RIGHT NOW.
SHA
hff
hff
hff
I SENSE AN UNUSUAL COSMO INSIDE POSEIDON'S TEMPLE.
SOMETHING BIZARRE HAS HAPPENED THERE.

I MUST RACE TO LORD POSEIDON'S SIDE!
NOW DIE, ANDROMEDA!
SHUNKK
UGH!

THE MUSIC OF MY FLUTE ATTACKS YOUR *MIND.*
FOOL! YOUR CHAINS ARE USELESS!
SOUND TRAVELS THROUGH THE AIR, RIGHT? IF I REPEL THE AIR AROUND ME...
...THE SOUND OF YOUR FLUTE CAN'T REACH ME!
WHAT?
HEH... WE'LL SEE.
ROLLING DEFENSE !!

MY MUSIC ISN'T SO WEAK. JUST TRY TO BLOCK IT!
THE ANDROMEDA CHAINS ARE BEING PULLED APART!
DEAD END SYM-PHONY!!
UNH!

AND MY CLOTH, TOO!

ZAK
DON'T ASSUME MY MUSIC IS A SIMPLE MELODY FOR THE EARS.
ALDEBARAN PUNCTURED HIS EARDRUMS, BUT HE COULDN'T ESCAPE IT.
ARRGH!
WHAT ARE THESE VIBRATIONS AGAINST MY BRAIN?
MY MUSIC REACHES DIRECTLY INTO THE *MIND*, NOT THE EARS.

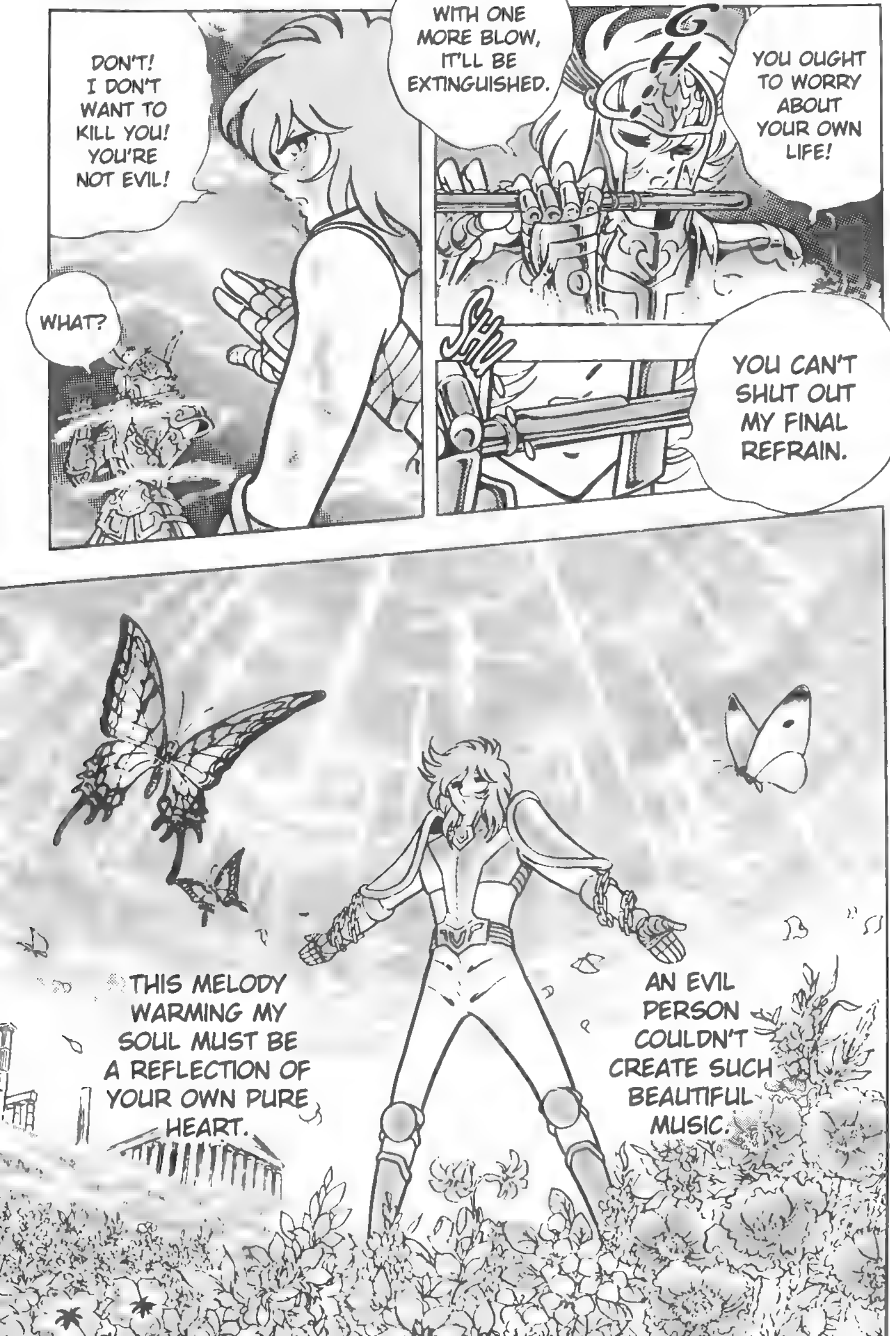
TO THE PURE-HEARTED, IT'S A SOOTHING TUNE...BUT TO THE WICKED, IT BECOMES A MELODY OF DEATH!
THAT IS THE SECRET OF SIREN'S FLUTE!
NOW, YOU WHO SEEK TO DESTROY LORD POSEIDON'S UTOPIA!
DIE ONCE AND FOR ALL!
WAA
AUGH!

HUH?
WRRRRL
WHAT'S THIS STREAM OF AIR?
IT'S THE NEBULA STREAM.
WHAT? YOU CREATED THIS?

THAT'S RIGHT. YOU CAN NO LONGER MOVE EVEN A FINGER...
WH... WHAT?
UNH!
I...I CAN'T MOVE. BUT HOW?
WHOOO
I TOLD YOU, MY STREAM HOLDS YOU.
I BET YOU CAN'T EVEN PLAY THAT FLUTE ANYMORE.
TH... THAT'S RIDICULOUS.
WITH ONE MORE BREATH, YOUR LIFE WILL END...JUST ONE MORE BREATH...
PLEASE DON'T!
IF YOU'RE NOT CAREFUL, THE STREAM WILL TRANS-FORM!

WHAT?
THE AIRSTREAM IS STRONGER! IT'S SQUEEZING ME!
WRRRRL
THAT'S RIGHT. IN THE END, IT'LL TURN INTO A GALE.
THE STREAM WILL BECOME A STORM AND TAKE YOUR LIFE.
PLEASE JUST STEP ASIDE. THEN YOU WON'T HAVE TO DIE...
BUT MY MISSION IS NOT TO DEFEAT YOU, BUT TO RESCUE ATHENA.
DO YOU THINK I'D SHOW MY BACK TO AN ENEMY?
YOU'RE TELLING *ME* TO SURRENDER? HEH...YOU REALLY ARE A FOOL.

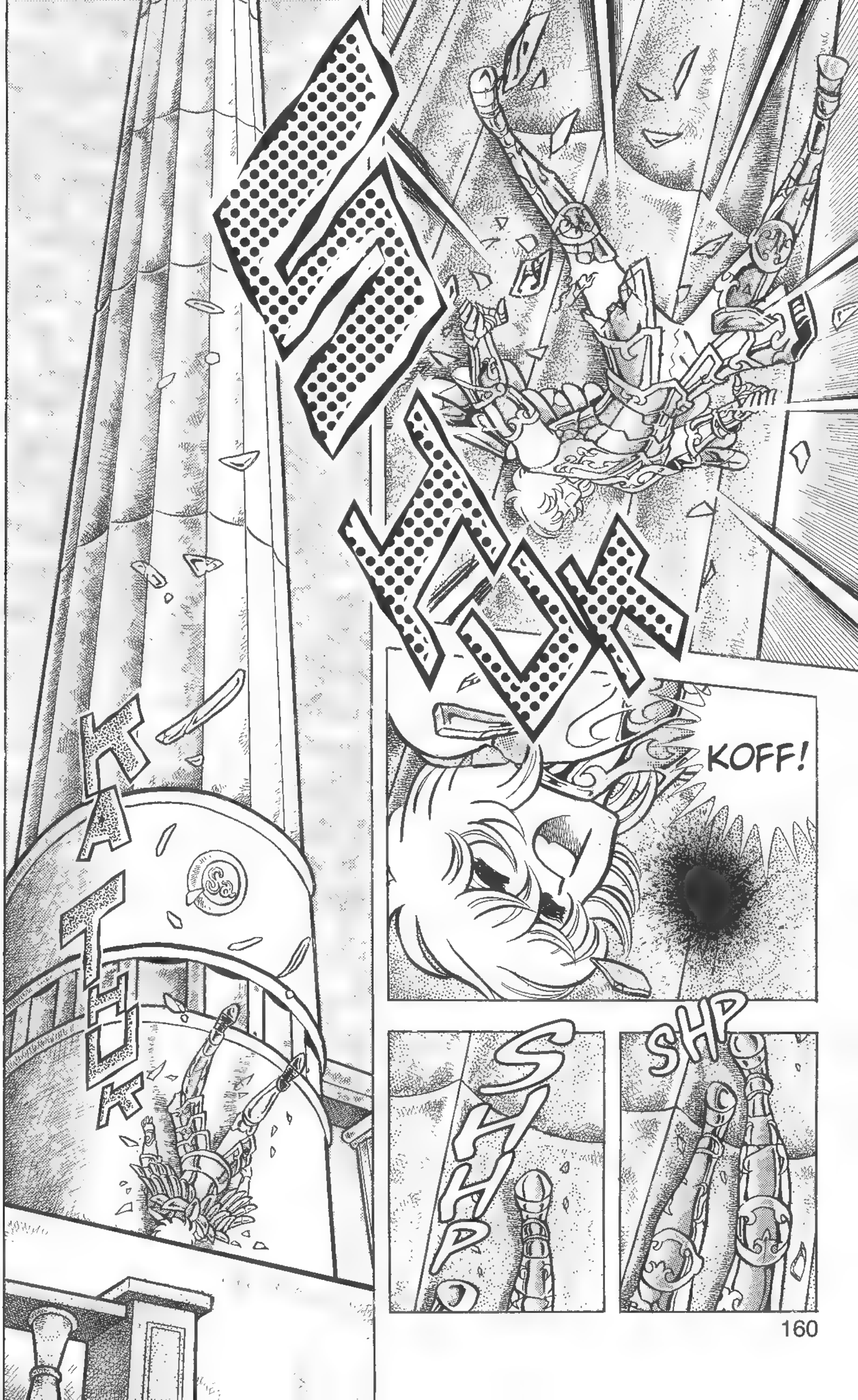
READ THIS WAY



HEAR THE CLIMAX OF MY TUNE AND GO TO YOUR DEATH, ANDROMEDA!!
HEH...I DIDN'T EXPECT TO BE JUDGED BY YOU.
SIREN, NO!
STOP! EVEN THOUGH I'M FIGHTING FOR PEACE...
...I DON'T WANT TO HURT ANYONE!

DEAD END CLIMAX !!
WHAAM
SIREN!!

NEBULA STORM!!
AAAAH!


KATHUK
KOFF!
SHHP
SHP

TAKTAKTAK
KLANK
hff
hff
hff
SHUN!
SHUN...
HANG IN THERE!
SHUN!
TH... THE PILLAR ...
I'VE GOT TO D... DESTROY THAT PILLAR...

KRIK
KRIK

GRRR...
CAN'T SHOOT?
LET'S FIND OUT WHICH OF US THE ARROW PIERCES.
SEIYA...
SEIYA...
SEIYA.
BOOM
HUH?

BADOOOOOOOM
WHAT'S THAT NOISE?
IT'S THE SOUTH ATLANTIC PILLAR!
SHUN OR IKKI DID IT!!
WELL, POSEIDON. THE SOUTH ATLANTIC PILLAR'S DOWN.
ALL THAT'S LEFT IS THE NORTH ATLANTIC PILLAR!
NOW STEP ASIDE, POSEI-DON!!
SOON YOUR AMBITIONS WILL COME CRASHING DOWN WITH THIS TEMPLE!

STOP!
DON'T UPSET POSEIDON!!
ZAKKK
IF HE KEEPS POINTING THAT ARROW AROUND, POSEIDON MAY FULLY AWAKEN!
THEN THE SUBMERSION OF THE EARTH WILL BE THE ***LEAST*** OF OUR PROBLEMS!
HAH
WHAT AN INTERESTING BIT OF NEWS.
TELL ME, SEA DRAGON, WHAT ARE YOU SO AFRAID OF?
OR SHOULD I CALL YOU ***GEMINI CANON***?
THAT FIERCE COSMO I FELT BEFORE...
IT WAS YOU, AFTER ALL!

THE IMMORTAL BIRD!
PHOENIX IKKI!!
KADOOOM
SO YOU FOUND YOUR WAY BACK FROM THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE.
ATHENA'S COSMO SHOWED ME THE WAY.

READ THIS WAY
BESIDES, I ALREADY SURVIVED SAGA'S GALAXIAN EXPLOSION.
COMPARED TO THAT, YOUR TRIANGLE IS A PIECE OF CAKE.
YOU MIGHT BE TWINS, BUT YOU'RE NOT IN YOUR BROTHER'S LEAGUE.
WHAT?
ARE YOU SAYING I'M LESS THAN SAGA?
HEH...*YOU* OUGHT TO KNOW THAT BETTER THAN ANYONE.
ABSURD!!
THIS TIME, I'LL KILL YOU!!

GALAXIAN
EXPLO-
SION!!

SHOOOOOM
HE'S WITHSTANDING THE FORCE OF THE EXPLOSION!!
WHAT?
YOU... YOU...
I TOLD YOU, YOU'RE NOT AS POWERFUL AS SAGA!

ZA
HUH?
K
ZHA
YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING BEFORE ABOUT POSEIDON AWAKEN-ING.
THE PHOENIX PHANTOM DEMON PUNCH.
KLANG
WHAT?
WHAT WAS THAT?
WH... WHAT ?
NOW I'LL LEARN POSEIDON'S SECRET...
... DIRECTLY FROM YOUR MIND!

SANCTUARY
13 YEARS
AGO
I DARE YOU TO SAY THAT AGAIN, CANON!
I CAN'T OVERLOOK IT, EVEN IF YOU *ARE* MY LITTLE BROTHER!
...I SHOULD KILL THE NEWLY REBORN ATHENA?
YOU SAY...
UGH!

IF SOMETHING SHOULD HAPPEN TO ME, YOU NEED TO TAKE MY PLACE AS GEMINI KNIGHT!
ARE YOU IN YOUR RIGHT MIND, CANON? WE'RE ATHENA'S PROTEC-TORS!
WHAT?
BIG BROTHER, WHY DON'T YOU BE HONEST WITH YOUR-SELF?
THAT'S RIGHT, SAGA! NOT JUST ATHENA, BUT THAT DIMWIT MASTER WHO CHOSE AIOROS OVER YOU!
FORTUNATELY, THE OTHER KNIGHTS DON'T KNOW I EXIST. WE CAN RULE THE EARTH TOGETHER.
BUT WE BOTH KNOW THAT YOUR HEART CONTAINS THE SAME EVIL AS MINE...
EVER SINCE WE WERE LITTLE KIDS, YOU WERE ALWAYS A TOTAL SAINT...
...AND I WAS A MISCHIEV-OUS BRAT. EVEN THOUGH WE WERE TWINS, WE WERE OPPOSITES, LIKE AN ANGEL AND A DEMON.
WHA ...
SH...SHUT UP! I CAN NO LONGER LET A DEMON LIKE YOU RUN LOOSE!
I'LL CONFINE YOU IN THE STONE PRISON AT CAPE SUNION!!

LET ME OUT!!
KRASH
LET ME OUT OF HERE!!
KRASH
ARE YOU PLANNING TO KILL YOUR OWN BROTHER?
YOU CAN'T ESCAPE THIS PRISON WITHOUT THE HELP OF A GOD.
YOU MUST STAY THERE UNTIL YOU GET RID OF THE EVIL IN YOUR HEART AND GAIN ATHENA'S FORGIVENESS.

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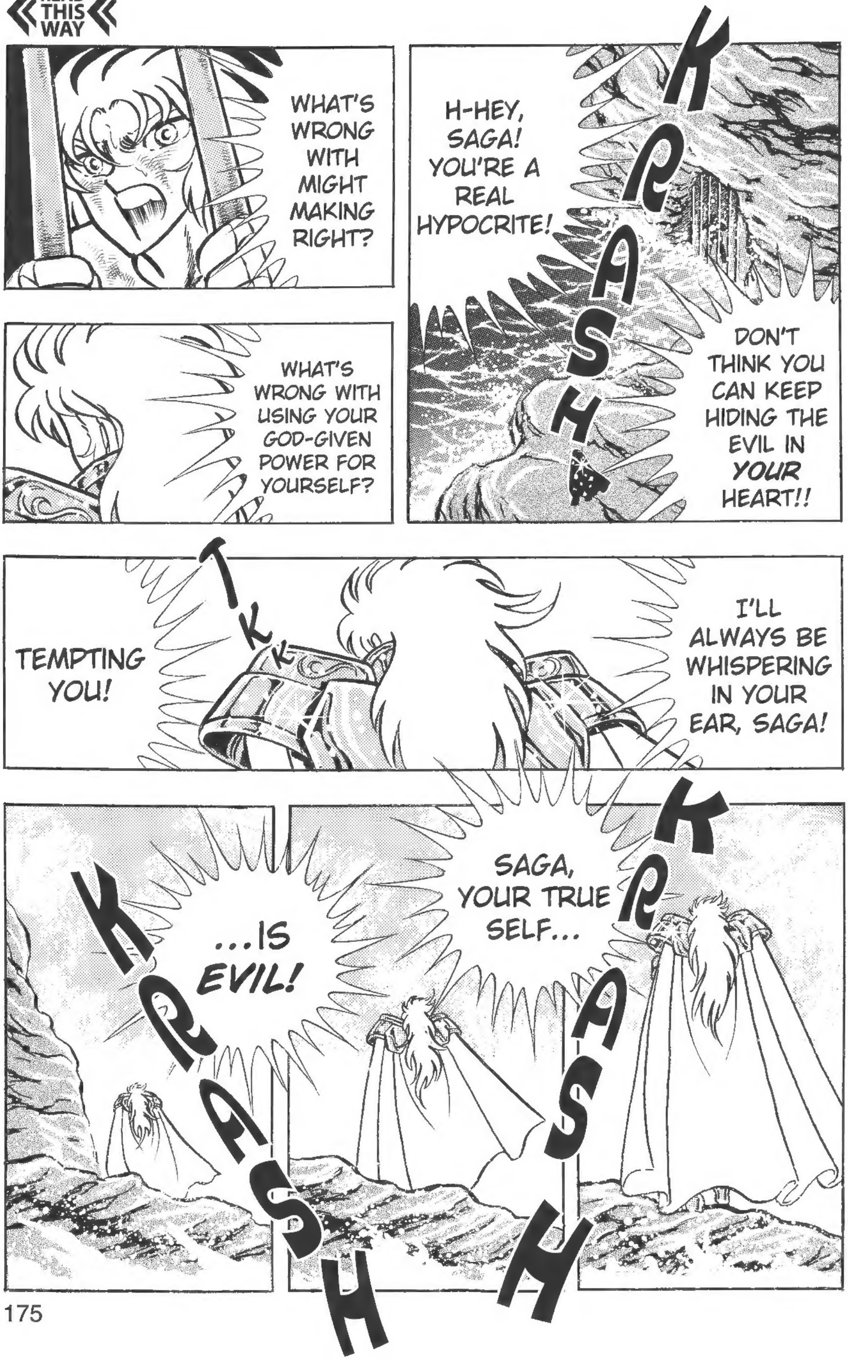

SAGA, YOU FOOL! IF YOU'RE JUST GONNA IGNORE YOUR POWER, BE MY GUEST!
I'LL KILL ATHENA *MYSELF* AND TAKE OVER THE EARTH! AND WHEN THAT DAY COMES, DON'T REGRET IT!!
NOT LONG AFTER THAT...
...AN OPPORTUNITY PRESENTED ITSELF THAT WOULD ALLOW ME TO DEFEAT ATHENA AND GRAB CONTROL OF THE EARTH.

IN MY STONE PRISON, I DISCOV-ERED A FEARSOME OBJECT...
KRASH
TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 18!